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Finance (Inspection Wing - Technical) Department  
Thiruvananthapuram - 695001,  
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**CIRCULAR**

Sub: Execution of Public works in the State - Discrepancies / Irregularities observed during the site inspections - Directions issued - Reg.

Ref: Inspections conducted by the FIW(T) officials.

Please refer to the above. During the various inspections conducted for public works in the State, in certain cases, deficiencies are noticed in the quantity and quality of certain items of work executed (with respect to the Agreement / Specifications).

Accordingly, directions are being issued to the Executive Engineer / Engineer-In-Charge (or Head of Engineering Department / PSU) concerned to ascertain whether such works are acceptable, for attending the deficiencies noted and or fix appropriate recoveries for the same in consultation with Technical Sanction and Agreement authorities as stipulated in the Kerala PWD Manual (Section 2103.1).

Now, it has come to the notice that, in few cases, departmental officers have issued notices to the Contractors to the effect that recoveries have to be effected from the contract bills for the shortages found during the quality inspections as directed by the 'Chief Technical Examiner'.

*In the above circumstances, Heads of all Agencies taking up the public works in the State are instructed to ensure that 'while making correspondences with the Contractors at all levels for the corrective*

*action initiated based on directions from this wing', reference of observations / directions from this Wing shall not be cited to avoid any contractual issues at a later stage.*

The above instructions shall be communicated to all concerned up to Section office level for strict compliance, in future cases.

Forwarded / By order,

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Ex officio Secretary to Government.

Section Officer.

To

1. The Additional Chief Secretary (Finance), Tvpm.
2. The Principal Accountant General (A & G), Tvpm / TSR.
3. All Additional Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries / Secretaries / Special Secretaries to Government.
4. All Heads of PSUs taking up the Public Works.
5. All Chief Engineers, PWD / Irrigation / LSGD / HED.
6. All Heads of Government Accredited Agencies.
7. The Director, PRD, Tvpm for wide publicity.
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