

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
FINANCE (EC-II) DEPARTMENT**

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From: Shri.B.K.Dev Varma, IAS
Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Finance Department.

To: 1) All Administrative Departments
2) All Heads of Departments.

Subject: Function of the Technical Board – Review of.

Sir/Madam,

Attention to the State Government has been drawn to the functions of the Technical Boards of some Departments with respect to technical clearance of Schemes as laid down in the Standing Instructions on sanction and implementation of Plan Schemes vide Planning Department letter No.PLR.35/97/103 dated 26.10.2010, and the provisions in the Meghalaya Delegation of Financial Power Rules, 2006 which stipulate that plans and estimates for civil works to be executed by PWD or any other Department are to be scrutinized by the appropriate and competent officer of the PWD delegated with the power to issue technical sanction thereof.

Due consideration has been given to the underlying objective of the provision in the DFP, Rules, 2006 for the purpose of ensuring that technical sanction carries with it the technical clearance relating to the soundness of plans and estimates of the structural designs, and in certain cases the architectural designs as well. Consideration has also been given to the fact that Technical Board Meeting(s) cannot examined in detail the aforesaid aspects, and that Technical Board are sometimes represented by PWD officers who are not competent to accord technical sanctions as they are not the same authority as delegated in the DFP Rules, 2006.

After due consideration of the matter and the fact that Technical Boards cannot substitute nor replace the role of the PWD as delegated in the DFP Rules, 2006 and only add to delays in the process of implementation of Plan Schemes, the State Government hereby orders that Technical Boards constituted by Government Departments shall cease to function and therefore stand abolished. Government Departments are required to obtain the Technical clearance for plans and estimates of civil works only from the competent authority of the PWD as laid down in the DFP Rules, 2006. The Competent authorities of the PWD are to complete the scrutiny of plans and estimates and issue of technical sanction within 30 days from the date of receipt of the same from the Department concerned.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-

(B.K.Dev Varma)
Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Finance Department

☞ Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Planning Department, with a request to modify Para 5 contained in the instruction regarding sanction and implementation of Plan Schemes vide Planning Department letter No.PLR.35/97/103 dated 26/10/2010.
2. The Secretary, PWD/Chief Engineer PWD (Roads/Building), for favour of information. He is requested to bring to the notice of the PWD Officers competent to issue technical sanction the Government decision for their information and compliance.
3. The Director of Printing & Stationery with a request to publish the order in the Official Gazette for the general information of all Government Officers/Offices.

By order etc.,

Sd/-

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Finance (EC-II) Department.