

DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
[FINANCE & EXPENDITURE]

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Sub: Execution of items of work beyond permissible deviation limit in respect of housing and development works.

There exist detailed guidelines regarding execution of deviated items as incorporated in CPWD Works Manual and standard terms and conditions of contract as per CPWD Form NO.7 and 8. The guidelines on deviations would reveal that deviation in stipulated quantities of works should not be resorted to as a matter of routine but executed with caution and prudence considering essential requirement of work. In doing so, financial implications involved in such deviations, have to be given due consideration.

There may be cases where although, there would be no genuine requirement for deviation, the same is initiated to extend undue financial gain to the work executing Agency. Cases of large scale deviations are being highlighted by the Audit from time to time through which undue financial benefits are extended to the Contractors. This has happened despite the fact that rules do not permit such large scale deviations. There may be cases where large scale deviations on plus (+) side are resorted to in such items of works which are abnormally high rated (AHR) items. There are also possibilities that abnormally low rated (ALR) items are executed to the minimum thereby resorting to deviation on minus(-) side. By both modus operandi, the underlying reason could be to extend undue financial gain to the Agency. Such cases are also being pointed out by internal Vigilance from time to time.

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With a view to ensure compliance of codal provisions, AAOs in the Divisional Offices and Dy.CAOs/Sr. AOs/AOs/AAOs in CAU have to be cautious while releasing payment to the Contractors. It has to be ensured that the cases where deviations have taken place beyond permissible limit, the same should be duly approved by the Competent Authority and a reference to such sanction should be recorded against the respective item in the bill. In case codal provisions have been flouted in a particular case, the same should be confidentially reported to FM/CAO for further action.

Further, FM/DDA has desired that information in the format attached, may be sent to this office in respect of deviations occurred and paid for during the period 01.04.2014 to 30.09.2014 by 15.10.2014 in respect of housing as well as development works for its further submission to him.

This issues with the approval of FM/DDA.

Amardeep Singh
13/10/2014
[Amardeep Singh Chowdhary]
Chief Accounts Officer

Copy to:-

1. All Chief Engineers.
2. Director(Finance)
3. Director(Works)
4. Zonal Dy. CAOs/Dy.CAO(HQ)I, II & III
5. All Sr. AOs/AOs of (CAUs)/AO(Works) I, II & III, AO(Plan)