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Dated the 1st November, 1988.

To

The Secretaries (dealing with NHs), Public Works Departments of all States and Union Territories.

Subject: Location and shifting of Utility Services in respect of National Highway Works.

I am directed to refer to the correspondence resting with this Ministry's letter of even number dated 10.8.87 regarding advance action for location and shifting of Utility Services in respect of National Highway Works and to state that Tamilnadu Public Works Department had intimated that Ministry of Communication (Department of Telecommunications) had issued policy instructions to all their concerned General Managers in the country saying that the shifting charges of their utility services may be recovered from the concerned authorities asking for shifting the Utility Services. As the Department of Telecommunications have been permitted to lay their utility lines on National Highway Land without any payment to Road Authorities, the matter was taken up with them. Ministry of Communications have now reconsidered the whole matter afresh and have intimated that revised instructions have been issued by them saying that shifting of Utility Lines, wherever asked for by the Road Authorities, will be carried out by the Telecommunications Department at their own cost. It is, therefore, requested that the above policy instructions may kindly be brought to the notice of the field officers of the State PWD for compliance.