

102. On the receipt of administrative approval to works costing below Rs. 50,000, the P.W.D. should prepare detailed estimates and plans and after the professional authorities are satisfied that the proposals are structurally sound, the counter signature of the Head of the Department or of the local Head of the Department who applied for the execution of the work should be obtained to the plans and estimates in token of approval for Technical sanction should then be accorded.

In the case of works costing Rs. 50,000/- and above, the procedure indicated below should be observed. As soon as possible after administrative approval is obtained to any such building scheme, detailed plans and estimates should be prepared with lump-sum provision for electrical and sanitary fittings. When the detailed plans are ready in a rough shape the Consulting Architect to Government should consult the Head of the Department who should in his turn obtain the advice of and circulate the plans to, experienced officers of his department. The Head of the Department should also consider specifically such points as layout and orientation of the buildings on the site with an eye on sanitation, water and electric supplies and the suitability and economy of arrangement of the building. The Consulting Architect to Government should ascertain the exact requirements from the Head of Department and incorporate them in the building plans which are then to be countersigned. Such approved plans countersigned by the Head of the Department should not be altered subsequently without the sanction of Government. As soon as the plans have been countersigned, the Executive Engineer should immediately proceed to obtain technical sanction communicating at the same time copies of the certified plans to the Electrical Engineer (General) and in cases in which the Sanitary Engineer has to be consulted, to the Sanitary Engineer also for further guidance in the preparation of detailed plans and estimates for electrical and sanitary installations—vide also Paragraph 255 of this Code.

(i) If in the preparation of detailed technical estimates, it is found that the cost will exceed the amount administratively approved by more than the limits prescribed by the Government, from time to time for this purpose, viz., for sanctioning technical estimates in excess of administrative approval, revised administrative approval must be obtained before the technical sanction can be accorded.

(G.O.Ms. No. 242, PWD., Dt. 11—2—1966)

[(ii) Revised administrative approval should also be obtained if the expenditure incurred has exceeded or is likely to exceed the amount of original administrative approval and the technical sanction by more than the limits prescribed by the Government from time to time or when material developments or deviations occur].

(Subs. G.O.Ms.No. 1582, PWD, (Y), Dt. 18—9—1970)

Explanation to Para 102 :—According to the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No. 242, PWD., dated 11—2—1966 amending Para 102 of the A.P.P.W.D. Code, among other things, revised administrative approval should be obtained if the expenditure incurred exceeds the amount of technical sanction by more than the limits prescribed by the Government from time to time for passing such excesses by the appropriate authority. The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh has sought clarification whether revised administrative approval is necessary even if the expenditure incurred is less than the original amount administratively approved, if it exceeds the amount of the technical sanction by more than the limits prescribed for passing such excesses by appropriate authority.

A question also has arisen whether the revised estimates should be compared with original administrative sanction or the original technical sanction.

The Government have carefully examined the above two issues. According to Para 102 of the A.P.P.W.D. Code as amended in the Government Order referred to above, revised administrative approval is

necessary if the expenditure incurred exceeds the amount of technical sanctions i.e., original technical sanction. But the officers could revise the technical estimate, if the works are not completed for any amount within the amount of administrative sanction plus such excess upto which they are competent to accord technical sanction. Obtaining revised estimate in such a case becomes purposeless. Since the officers are empowered to pass excesses during execution over the technically sanctioned estimates, the Government consider that revised administrative approval should be obtained if the expenditure incurred has exceeded or is likely to exceed the amount of original administrative approval and the technical sanction by more than the limits prescribed by Government from time to time. Accordingly, the amendment to Para 102 of the A.P.P.W.D. Code is issued.

The Chief Engineers are informed that the revised estimate should be compared with both the original administrative approval and the original technical sanction for the purpose of determining the necessity to obtain revised administrative approval. For the purpose of determining the necessity to obtained revised technical estimate as indicated under Para 214 of the A.P.P.W.D. Code, the comparison should be with the original technical standing only.