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In a number of cases, awards have been given by the Arbitrators in favour of contractors awarding them damages due to delay in the completion of work. In most of these cases, arbiters have drawn conclusions that delay in the construction schedule is basically due to departmental delays. This aspect is not analysed fully at the time of sending arbitration award for taking decision of competent authority.

While processing the awards for obtaining sanction of competent authority, CES are requested to analyse the items of award given by the arbitrator on account of damages due to delay in completion of the work along with reasons for delay and give their recommendations for fixing the responsibility on the officials if any.

In order to have a close watch on the progress of the work, it is necessary that close monitoring of the progress of works on month to month basis is made in relation to the construction schedule prescribed in the contract. Necessary proformas in this regard have already been supplied to the Chief Engineers. If such a close monitoring is done adverse variations beyond a percentage should get highlighted in a variance statement which should be sent to E.M. so that the more pointed decision gets taken towards remedial steps. Such a course of action would go a long way to ensure that slippage in the construction schedule of schemes get substantially reduced. All Engineers are requested to follow these instructions very strictly.


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ENGINEER MEMBER

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1. ALL Chief Engineers.