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**Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Panchayati Raj.**

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No. PCH-HB(1)10/2017-PREW- Shimla-171009 Dated 23 July, 2019.

NOTIFICATION

The Governor of Himachal Pradesh is pleased to constitute Panchayati Raj Engineering Wing (PREW) under the overall supervision and control of Secretary(Panchayati Raj) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh at the State level, Chief Executive Officer, Zila Parishad at district level and Chief Executive Officer, Panchayat Samiti at Block level to design, executive and maintain needed infrastructural facilities in the rural areas for the overall development of the rural people in Himachal Pradesh.

The Governor of Himachal Pradesh is further pleased to issue the following guidelines for the constitution and functioning of Panchayati Raj Engineering Wing:-

1. All the posts of the Engineering staff i.e. Executive Engineers, Assistant Engineers, Design Engineers, Junior Engineers, Takniki Sahayaks and Draughtsman shall be created in the Zila Parishad cadre and corresponding posts created in Public Works Department and Irrigation and Public Health Department on account of Rural Development Department shall be abolished forthwith.

2. Concerned Chief Executive Officer of the Zila Parishad shall be appointing authority and administrative head of the Engineering staff at district level. The Divisional Executive Engineer, Zila Parishad shall be the technical head of Panchayati Raj Engineering Wing in their respective jurisdictions.
3. The posts of divisional level Executive Engineers shall be created in the Headquarter Zila Parishad of the division i.e. Shimla, Mandi & Kangra.
4. The Assistant Engineers shall be posted at the district level and shall function under the overall control and supervision of Chief Executive Officer Zila Parishad. Chief Executive Officer shall take all reports from Assistant Engineer regarding their performance. He may make the sitting arrangement for AEs either in the office of Zila Parishad or District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) as per availability of space. Each Assistant Engineer will be given the charge of Assembly Constituency(s) and he shall be responsible for implementing and executing all the works within the Assembly Constituency pertaining to Member Parliament Local Area Development Fund (MPLAD), Member Legislative Assembly Local Area Development Fund (MLALAD), Decentralized Planning other schemes assigned by the Government for which 6% administrative charges will be deducted from the works of the above schemes. 6% administrative charges will also be deducted from the schemes of the other departments entrusted for implementation/execution to the Panchayati Raj Engineering Wing. In addition to above, the responsibility of executing all the works of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Departments such as Lok Bhawans, District Panchayat Resource Centres, Block Panchayat Resource Centres and Panchayat Ghars shall also lie with the Assistant Engineers. No administrative charges will be deducted from the schemes of the RD & Panchayati Raj Departments.
5. The transfer of Executive Engineers and Assistant Engineers within the State and Junior Engineers and Takniki Sahayaks within the district shall be done after the approval of Hon'ble Minister Incharge.

6. The seniority lists of all technical staff shall be finalized at the Directorate level on the basis of seniority lists issued by the districts.
7. The administrative control of the staff deputed at the block level shall be with Chief Executive Officer Panchayat Samiti whereas the administrative control of the staff deployed at district level shall be with Chief Executive officer Zila Parishad. However, CEO Zila Parishad may delegate his powers to the Secretary Zila Parishad to the extent as deemed appropriate by him.
8. Existing Block Engineers shall be designated as Design Engineers on regular basis for which they have to give written consent. They will be provided 10% quota to the post of Assistant Engineer on seniority basis subject to condition that they will withdraw all the pending cases against the department in the Administrative Tribunal and other Courts regarding their service matters so as to avoid Contempt of Court. The post(s) of Block Engineers, which will become vacant on account of his designation as Design Engineers shall stand automatically abolished.
9. Test check atleast 50% works of the Takniki Sahayaks shall be done by Junior Engineers. The Assistant Engineer will inspect the works being done by Takniki Sahayaks and Junior Engineer from time to time. It shall be mandatory for the Assistant Engineer to inspect all those works costing more than Rs. 5.00 lakhs. The Junior Engineers will inspect all those works, being executed under Takniki Sahayaks, at various important stages like plinth level, slab level and roof level etc.
10. The estimates costing upto Rs. 3.00 lakhs prepared by Takniki Sahayaks shall be approved by Junior Engineers and costing more than Rs. 3.00 lakhs prepared by Junior Engineers shall be approved by the Assistant Engineers or Executive Engineers, as the case may be.
11. For assessment of work record entries and bill prepared by the Takniki Sahayaks, work costing upto Rs. 3.00 lakhs shall be passed by the Junior Engineer and record entries and bill prepared by the Junior Engineers costing more than Rs. 3.00 lakhs shall be passed by the Assistant Engineers or Executive Engineers, as the case may be. The concerned Drawing and Disbursing Authority will release the instalments including final instalment after the recommendations and

receiving of bill of works from the competent technical authority for the same. Junior Engineers will be technical controlling authority of the Takniki Sahayaks working under his jurisdiction, Assistant Engineers will be technical controlling authority for both Junior Engineers & Technical Assistants whereas Executive Engineers will be technical controlling authority for all the technical staff.

12. The State Government may issue guidelines, clarification and instructions for efficient and effective running of Panchayati Raj Engineering Wing to remove the practical difficulties from time to time after publication of this notification in the official gazette.

By Order
Secretary(Panchayati Raj) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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Copy for information and further necessary action to:

1. The Secretary(GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh in compliance to the Cabinet Decision dated 6.3.2019.
2. All the Heads of the Departments.
3. All the Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
4. All the Chief Executive Officers, Zila Parishad in H.P.
5. All the Secretary Zila Parishad-cum-DPO in H.P.
6. All the CEO Panchayat Samiti-cum-BDO in H.P.
7. For printing in e-Gazette of H.P.

(Surender Maltu)
Joint Secy.(Panchayati Raj) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.