



भारतीय राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग प्राधिकरण

(सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)

National Highways Authority of India

(Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India)

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भाराराप्रा/ नीति दिशानिर्देश/ भूमि अधिग्रहण / 2026 नीति परिपत्र सं. 7.1.91/2026 दिनांक 23rd सितम्बर 2026

{(ई-ऑफिस फाइल सं. NHAI/LA/2023 (कम्प्युटर सं. 203738 पर लिया गया निर्णय)}

NHAI/ Policy Guidelines/ Land Acquisition/ 2026

Policy Circular No. 7.1.91 / 2026 dated 23rd September, 2026

{(Decision taken on E-Office File No. NHAI/LA/2023 (Comp No. 203738)}

विषय: सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय के परिपत्र संख्या NH-24028/02/2024-NH दिनांक 06th May, 2025 का पृष्ठांकन और कार्यान्वयन - भूमि अधिग्रहण और वन एवं वन्यजीव मंजूरी - स्वीकृति, अधिनिर्णय और नियुक्त तिथियों की घोषणा के लिए मील के पत्थर।

Sub: Endorsement and Implementation of MoRTH Circular No. NH-24028/02/2024-NH dated 06th May, 2025 - Land Acquisition and Forest & Wildlife Clearance - Milestones for approval, award and declaration of appointed dates. - reg:-

संदर्भ: सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय परिपत्र संख्या NH-24028/02/2024-NH दिनांक 06 मई, 2025।

Ref.: MoRT&H Circular No. NH-24028/02/2024-NH dated 06th May, 2025.

सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्रालय द्वारा उपरोक्त संदर्भित पत्र के माध्यम से राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग परियोजनाओं के अधिनिर्णय के बाद उनके निर्माण में होने वाले विलंब से बचने और संविदात्मक विवादों के साथ-साथ समय और लागत वृद्धि को रोकने के लिए अनुपालन हेतु कुछ मील के पत्थर जारी किए गए हैं।

MoRT&H vide above reference letter issued certain Milestones for adherence to avoid delays in the construction of National Highway Projects after award and prevent contractual disputes as well as time and cost overruns.

2. इसकी प्रति सभी संबंधितों के सूचनार्थ एवं कड़ाई से अनुपालन हेतु इसके साथ संलग्न है।

The copy of the same is enclosed herewith for information and strict compliance by all concerned.

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3. यह सक्षम प्राधिकारी के अनुमोदन से जारी किया जाता है।
This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

संलग्नक: यथोपरी।

Encl.: As stated above.



23/09/26

(सीएस. संजय कुमार पटेल/ CS. Sanjay Kumar Patel)
प्रभारी मुख्य महाप्रबंधक(समन्वय) (i/c) Chief General Manager (Coord.)

प्रति/ To:

भाराराप्रा मुख्यालय/आरओ/पीआईयू/सीएमयू/साइट कार्यालयों के सभी अधिकारी।
All Officers of NHAI HQ/ ROs/ PIUs/ CMUs/ Site Offices.

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PPS to Secretary, MoRT&H for Kind Information.

NH-24028/02/2024-H
Government of India
Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(Highways Section)
Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001

dated the 6th May, 2025

To,

1. The DG (RD) & SS, Roads Wing, MORTH
2. The Chairman, NHAI, G-586, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075
3. The Managing Director, NHIDCL, PTI Building, New Delhi-110001
4. All ADGs, CEs, SEs of the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
5. All ROs

Subject: Land Acquisition and Forest & Wildlife clearances - Milestones for approval, award and declaration of appointed dates

Sir,

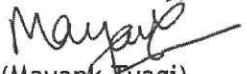
I am directed to say that in order to avoid delays in the construction of National Highway projects after award and prevent contractual disputes as well as time and cost overruns, there is an urgent requirement to synchronize the project approval, award and appointed date declaration activities with the milestones for land acquisition procedures and environment, forest and wildlife clearances.

Accordingly, the following milestones are to be strictly adhered to while awarding NH projects in case of any project for which tenders are to be issued w.e.f 1st June, 2025:

Sr. No.	Activity	Commencement of the activity	Completion of the activity
1	Environment Clearance	On approval of alignment.	Before receipt of bids
2	Forest Clearance	On approval of alignment.	Before issue of LOA
2	Wildlife Clearance	On approval of alignment	Before receipt of bids
3	GAD (Railway)	On draft feasibility	Before receipt of bids
4	GAD (IWAI)	On draft feasibility	Before Invitation of bids
5	Utility Shifting Estimates	On draft feasibility	Before receipt of bids
6	Land Acquisition	Issue of notification under section 3A of National Highways Act, 1956 - within 60 days of approval of alignment.	Issue of notification under section 3D for over 90% of the ROW length before receipt of bids. Issue of award under section 3G for over 90% of the ROW length before LoA.

		Possession of 90% of ROW length to be available post award under section 3G of National Highways Act, 1956, on or before appointed date. Possession of 100% of ROW length to be available in a approach stretch of upto 1 km on either side of a standalone bridge or ROB project on or before issue of LoA. Possession of 100% of the ROW length to be available in a approach stretch of upto 1 km on either side of any project with a tunnel on or before issue of LoA. Note: Assessment of value and payment for structures should be considered as an integral part of the compensation payment on land acquisition for the purpose of the above milestones.
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Yours faithfully,


 (Mayank Tyagi)

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4. All Joint Secretaries in the MORTH
5. All Director/DS in the MoRTH

