Sub: Voluntary Contribution towards Construction of additional two floors in existing IRC Building at R.K. Puram, New Delhi

Sir,

Kindly refer to this office letter of even number dated 27th July, 2018 and reminder dated 26th February & 9th May, 2019.

As you may be aware Indian Roads Congress is the Apex Body of Highway Engineers in the Country & working under the aegis of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways. Since its inception in 1934, the Indian Roads Congress has been providing a National Forum for sharing of knowledge and pooling of experience on the entire range of subjects dealing with the construction and maintenance of roads; bridges; tunnels and road transportation including technology, equipment, research, planning, finance, taxation, organization and all connected policy issues. The Congress has relentlessly strived to achieve these objectives and to fulfill its charter. IRC has also brought out more than 250 publications (including Standards, Code of Practice, Guidelines pertaining to design and construction of road and bridges and its allied subjects) which are extensively used by practicing engineers apart from 19 periodicals every year containing technical papers contributed by Road Engineers/Professors of IITS/Educational institutions/Designers/Planners. IRC also accredited 160 new Materials/Technology/Equipment/product of various manufacturer for usage in road/bridge construction by PWDs and other implementing agencies.

The Indian Roads Congress runs on “no profit no loss” basis and its resources are from membership fee, Council Membership fee received from State/Central Organizations; revenue from sale of publications, fee for Accreditations for new materials/techniques, processing fee for appointment of Arbitrators etc.

The Indian Roads Congress has its own double storied building in R.K. Puram, which was constructed in the year 2005 on a small piece of land measuring 970 sq. metres. Due to increased activities of IRC, the building has inadequate space and therefore, some activities of Congress also run from old office at Jamnagar House such as Sale and Storage of IRC Publications, Membership & Dispatch. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is continuously pressing for surrender of Rooms occupied by IRC in Jam Nagar House. In R.K. Puram, there exists Secretary General’s Chamber, Conference Hall for technical Committee meetings, a library containing books and publications for use of the members apart from Finance, Administration, technical Committee and Arbitration Section. Sufficient space is required for storing a large number of IRC Publications since these are in high demand by engineering fraternity.
Keeping above in view, it has been decided by the IRC Council that additional two floors may be constructed on existing building to cater to the present and future requirements. For this purpose, a building construction committee has been constituted under chairmanship of DG(RD)&SS MORT&H. The estimated expenditure would be Rs.5 crore in construction of additional two floors including furnishing.

The Indian Roads Congress with its limited resources available is not in a position to take up this work. Your State is paying Council Membership fee of Rs.3,50,000/- per year being the member of the highest decision making Body of IRC. Accordingly, under the direction of the Council, I am extremely pleased to make this appeal to you to voluntary contribute minimum similar amount of Council Membership fee of Rs.3,50,000/- towards building construction fund during the year 2019-2020. I am confident that keeping in view the yeoman services rendered by the Indian Roads Congress, you will send us the contribution towards building fund as early as possible. The payment may be made by Cheque drawn in favour of the Secretary General, Indian Roads Congress, New Delhi. For NEFT transfer, please visit our website for bank details of IRC.

Yours faithfully,
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