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Sub: - Measures to avoid delay in completion of Projects resulting into award of Arbitration

In cases related to payment of arbitration award in the matter of construction of elevated road and other big infrastructure projects, it has been observed that non-availability of statutory clearances, non-availability of encumbrance free land, etc. before the start of the project lead to the undue delay in project leading to award of arbitration.

Similar instances have also been noticed in other infrastructure projects where shifting of HT/LT Lines, environmental clearances transplantation and compensatory plantation of trees permission from concerned departments for putting piers over large drains have caused major delays in the project leading to cost over runs and arbitration awards.

It is, therefore, directed that all statutory clearances and removal of hindrances must be ensured before award of contract to any executing agency for initiating of any project, which shall include but not limited to:-

- 1. Availability of land
- 2. Shifting of HT/LT Lines
- 3. Environmental clearances
- 4. Transplantation and Compensatory plantation of trees
- 5. Requisite permissions from concerned departments

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