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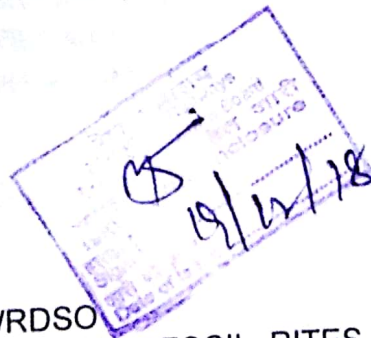
Sub: Fabrication of Road Over Bridge (ROB) girder for Railway span
and Foot Over Bridge (FOB) girders.
Ref: Board's letter of even no. dt. 27.09.18

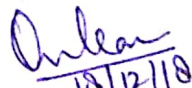
Vide Board's letter under Ref. above, instruction was issued allowing only the firms, who are on the RDSO's approved list of vendors for fabrication of steel bridge girder, to be engaged for the fabrication of ROB girders of railway span and FOBs.

2.0 Some of the Zonal Railways have requested for review of the above instruction on the ground that the FOB works being small value works, RDSO vendors may not be keen to take up them. Moreover, it would be easier to get these works done through local contractors who have adequate resources, arrangements and experience though they are not on RDSO's Approved List of Vendors.

3.0 The matter has been reviewed and it is observed, since the FOBs are not subjected to dynamic loads unlike the Railway Bridges and hence, the stringent conditions of expertise, experience etc, as required in fabricating Railway Bridge girders, might not be mandatory for FOB fabrication. Accordingly, it has been decided that fabrication of FOBs can be done through firms other than RDSO approved firms. However, to ensure quality of fabrication, QAP has to be prepared in each case which is to be approved by officer not below rank of JAG.

3.1 This issues with the approval of Board (ME).




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