

ASSOCIATION OF CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERS (INDIA)

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To,
Dr. P. R. Swarup
Director General
Construction Industry Development Council
Nehru Place,
Newdelhi.

Sub: Strengthening & Empowering Engineering fraternity.

Dear Sir,

You are aware of various challenges being faced by the fraternity of Engineers, especially by those, who are rendering engineering services for the growth and development of Infrastructure sector.

We are indeed happy to note that the Government of India, has accorded construction sector the status of champion sector & have nominated CIDC as the nodal agency to support state initiatives under Make-in-India program.

Association of Consulting civil Engineers (India) as you are aware, is the largest organization, representing the interests of over 5000 independent engineering services providers in the Nation, and is seriously contemplating to work actively with CIDC to strengthen & empower the engineering fraternity.

To this effect, it has been widely accepted by engineers of our association as follows.

Quote

"The members of ACCE (I), who practice as consulting engineers would include in the documents made by them and also recommend to their clients, the following clauses:

- Compulsory engagement of skilled construction workers, in line with contract Clause 19K of CPWD (quoted below);
- That preferential hiring would be given to engineers registered by Engineering Council of India (ECI)/Institution of Engineers (India) in their National Register (quoted below);
- Recommend conducting Safety, Health & Environment (SHE) audits of their sites by Experts/ Agencies for SHE Audit."

"CLAUSE 19K

The contractor shall, at all stages of work deploy skilled/semi skilled tradesmen who are qualified and possess certificate in particular trade from CPWD Training Institute/Industrial Training Institute/National Institute of construction Management and Research (NICMAR), National Academy of Construction, CIDC or any similar reputed and recognized Institute managed/certified by State/Central Government. The number of such qualified tradesmen shall not be less than 20% of total skilled/semi skilled workers required in each trade at any stage of work.

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The contractor shall submit number of man days required in respect of each trade, its scheduling and the list of qualified tradesmen along with requisite certificate from recognized Institute to Engineer-in-Charge for approval.

Notwithstanding such approval, if the tradesmen are found to have inadequate skill to execute the work of respective trade, the contractor shall substitute such tradesmen within two days of written notice from Engineer-in-Charge. Failure on the part of contractor to obtain approval of Engineer-in-Charge or

failure to deploy qualified tradesmen will attract a compensation to be paid by contractor at the rate of Rs. 100 per such tradesman per day. Decision of Engineer in Charge as to whether particular tradesman possesses requisite skill and amount of compensation in case of default shall be final and binding.

Provided always, that the provisions of this clause shall not be applicable for works with estimated cost put to tender being less than Rs. 5 crores."

"Model Clause for Registration of Engineers:

The contractor shall, at all stages of work, deploy engineers including Diploma holders, Degree holders and higher levels who are qualified and registered as professional engineers with the Engineering Council of India / Institution of Engineers(India). The number of such registered Professional Engineers shall not be less than 25% of total numbers of engineers at any stage of work.

Failure on the part of contractor to deploy registered professional engineers will attract a compensation to be paid by contractor at the rate of Rs. 1000 per such professional engineer per day. Decision of professional engineer in Charge as to whether particular engineer's registration is valid or not and amount of compensation in case default shall be final and binding."

Unquote

This awareness shall be periodically communicated to all consulting engineers of ACCE (I) through various meetings of centres in future to strengthen and empowering engineering fraternity. We shall send formal communique to you, thereafter about the developments in the engineering practices.

Meanwhile, you are requested to convey this message to concerned Ministries, PSUs State Governments & other Agencies involved in Infrastructure Development.

We are also interested in constituting an activity group, where prominent members of ACCE(I) would be nominated jointly with CIDC nominees to take this initiative further.

Anticipating support from you.

Sincerely yours

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