



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
BLOCK-B, SECOND FLOOR, JANATA BHAWAN, DISPUR, GUWAHATI-06

No.546455/17

ORDER BY GOVERNOR OF ASSAM
NOTIFICATION

Sub: Shifting of utilities of Piped Water Supply Schemes (PWSS) constructed under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) & damaged due to Road Widening as well as other infrastructure activities.

In view of the decision of the Council of Ministers in its Meeting held on 09/08/2024 vide, the Governor of Assam is pleased to issue the following directives:

1. Under Jal Jeevan Mission, the coverage of Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) have reached more than 80% of the households and work is also underway to cover the rest of the households. Any infrastructure agency of the state/centre shall therefore, assume that any subsoil works on the sides of the road is likely to damage the already laid pipeline network and accordingly reach out to the concerned PHED Division for the pipeline details.
2. Accordingly, a Committee under the chairmanship of the District Commissioner is constituted with members of PHED, PWD Divisional engineers, and other officials of concerned Departments so that damages to the pipelines laid as part of JJM & other schemes be avoided. The committee may undertake visits to completed PWSS locations, wherein, road widening and utility shifting is of utmost and urgent necessity, prepare a report, and share the same with PHED and PWD/other Departments. After a thorough review of the DPRs of PHED and PWD/other Departments, option (1) or (2) is to be considered as the case may be.

Option-1:

- i) The executing department shall ensure proper shifting of the utilities to safe places. The executing department has to ensure relocation at the earliest so that, affected beneficiaries can get proper service delivery as soon as possible. The executing department shall be responsible for the Estimation, Administrative Approval, Technical Sanction, Tendering and completion of the work related to relocation as per specification.
- ii) On completion of the work, a report shall be communicated to all concerned Departments, District Administration, and Finance Department.

Option-2:

In cases, where provisions for utility shifting due to road widening was not already included in the PWD/other Agencies' budget, and the pipelines have been already damaged, special budget provision from the State Budget would be made with PHED for repair of the assets. PHED shall then provide scheme-wise estimates to the Finance Department for its concurrence. Once the budget is sanctioned by the Finance Department, the fund shall be transferred to the Single Nodal Account of PHED. Upon receipt of the requisite fund by PHED, the Mission Directorate shall disburse the required funds to each PHE Division based on their requirements.

3. PHED is currently preparing the GIS map of all the pipeline assets which is also being uploaded on PM Gati Shakti portal which will help PWD (Roads) & other infrastructure departments to plan better before they undertake the work. Therefore, all infrastructure agencies shall verify the PM Gati Shakti portal for pipeline asset data before commencement of any subsoil activities.
4. All infrastructure/Works Departments will also mandatorily use CBuD App to intimate the Department before starting any digging activities.
5. All infrastructure/Works Departments to plan for utility shifting as part of the project execution and incorporate in their DPR/Estimates.
6. Utility line of PHED close to the carriageway of PWD (Roads) should not be laid when there is space to lay them sufficiently away from the carriageway, as the bituminous surface course of the carriageway is periodically required to be renewed or strengthened which involves rolling.
7. The WRD shall seek NOC from PHED before executing any Flood Management structure near pipelines of PHED, if any and similarly, the PHED shall obtain the NOC from WRD before laying of any pipelines or related infrastructures near the river bank or in the vicinity of any embankments of Water Resources Department before commencement of the work.
8. Concerned divisions of PHED and PWD (NH) shall share drawings of Utility Lines as well as proposed Road alignments among themselves well ahead of execution in field so as to avoid future damage to the water pipelines.

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2. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister, Govt. of Assam, for kind appraisal of the Ministers.
3. The Secretary, Coordination, O/o the Chief Secretary, Assam, for kind appraisal of the Chief Secretary.
4. The Accountant General (A&E), Assam, Maidamgaon, Ghy-29.
5. The O.S.D., Political (Cabinet Cell) Department, Assam.
6. The P.S. to the Spl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. Assam, Department.
7. The P.S. to the Sr. Most Secretary, Department of Housing & Urban Affairs, Assam.
8. The P.S. to the Sr. Most Secretary, Public Works (Roads) Department, Assam.
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11. The P.S. to the Sr. Most Secretary, Finance Department, Assam.
12. The P.S. to the Sr. Most Secretary, Water Resources Department, Assam.
13. The P.S. to the Sr. Most Secretary, Power (E) Department, Assam.
14. The P.S. to the Addl. Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/ Commissioner & Secretary/ Secretary.....Department.
15. The Director, Assam Govt. Press, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21. He is requested to publish this notification in Assam Gazette in next publication.
16. The Principal Secretary of KAAC/DHAC/BTAD, Assam
17. The Mission Director, Jal Jeevan Mission, Assam.
18. The Mission Director, Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen), Assam.
19. The Chief Engineer (PHE), Water, Assam.
20. The Chief Engineer (PHE), Sanitation, Assam.
21. The District Commissioner, district.
22. The Addl. Chief Engineer, (PHE), All Zones, Assam.
23. The Superintending Engineers (PHE), All Circles, Assam.
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By order etc.

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
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