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Sub:- Implementation of PRICE Software in the NH wing of Kerala Public Works Department – guidelines issued - Reg:

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Government vide Order: G.O (Rt.) No. 375/15/Fin. Dated: 24/08/2015 have directed that cost estimate of all Public Works executed by all Engineering Departments to prepare and submit through PRICE Software developed by National Informatics Center from September 2015 onwards. Accordingly National Informatics Center has developed PRICE software for online preparation and processing of estimates based on the needs and necessity of Kerala Public Works Department – National Highway Wing.

Demonstration of PRICE Software was conducted by the Department team with the support of National informatics Centre at Head Quarters and North Circle Kozhikode during February and May 2016 for giving awareness to the technical staff of National Highway wing about the new Software and to collect valuable suggestions for making the software user friendly. District Coordinators were selected from all districts and a training programme conducted by the Chief Engineer NH for effective implementation of the Software. Training shall be arranged by the Superintending Engineers at Circle level if necessary.

The PRICE Software is presently available for demo purpose at the website address: [http://164.100.150.100:8080/price\\_nh\\_demo](http://164.100.150.100:8080/price_nh_demo). All the technical staff of National Highway wing can use the software in the web site using their PEN NUMBER as user name. The website address will be changed as and when the hosting procedure in the Government server is completed. The change will be published in the PWD Website. The live web site, <http://price.kerala.gov.in> will be active from 01/12/2016 at 10.30 a.m. In the live website, the login user name will be the PEN Number and the default password will be **Pricenh2016\$** (eg: if the user's pen number is 123456 then user name is 123456 and password is


Pricenh2016\$). The users can change the password during the first login and then can login using the new password.

Rate Analysis in this software is based on MoRTH Data Book, Schedule of Rates-2014 by CPWD and MoRTH Specifications for Road & Bridge Works (5<sup>th</sup> Revision). Kerala Public Works Department Manual, Guidelines of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways issued through various circulars and decisions of the Chief Engineers' Committee are followed in this software. The changes in DSOR and cost index will be uploaded to Software by the Administrator time to time and the changes will be shown in the latest news.

During transfer and posting, the new officer after joining the new post shall submit the fully filled up Performa to the office of the Chief Engineer National Highways by e-mail or by fax for placing the officer in the present status. Incumbent will be informed through e-mail after the status is changed.

For clearing the doubts in handling the Software the officers can contact their district coordinators.

All of the National Highways wing is hereby directed to switch on to the new online system and to submit the new proposals (All Administrative Sanction proposals based on 2014 DSOR) through the Software from 01/12/2016 onwards. The proposals which are not submitted through the Software shall not be considered for issuing Administrative sanction in future.

  
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