

Dear Colleagues

I am approaching you precisely one month after taking over as Director General Works on August 01, 2009. I have been given the responsibility to stand for you for a very limited period and am therefore duty bound to guide you to the best of my ability.

At the outset, I convey my best wishes to all the members of CPWD family.

I have been actively involved in the works management part of CPWD, and have distantly seen number of targets fixed by my worthy predecessors and achievements thereof. I, therefore thought to recapitulate them with my headquarter colleagues before laying the new ones – as is customary – myself.

My first thirty one days as DGW have been specifically satisfying and have given me deep insight of CPWD as a complete organization.

Though, I would like to pursue the same very targets as were set by my predecessors so as to forge ahead in right direction to help CPWD realize its Vision Statement, yet I would not hesitate to remove the anomalies, if any, that might have crept in inadvertently so that while the spirit of the past decisions is maintained, they are implemented as suited to the ground realities.

As you all know, CPWD is entrusted with construction and maintenance of buildings for most of the Central Government Departments, Public undertakings and Autonomous bodies. I therefore need not over emphasize the importance of Sound Planning and Design, Engineered Construction, Effective Maintenance, Benchmarking of standards and specifications, Capacity Building for updating technical knowledge and target oriented training to maintenance workers, Manpower planning conducive to working conditions and professional environment, transparency in work management.

At the same time, I, would like you to concentrate on maintenance and upgradation of public assets so that we measure to the expectations of our valued stakeholders. The expectations are not limited only to prompt service but also constant upgradation of building specifications as well in keeping with state-of-art technology notwithstanding the fact that CPWD has upgraded the norms of facilities/services and the

specifications in maintenance with the active cooperation and concurrence of Ministry of UD. Comprehensive guidelines have been issued for its implementation but the expectations of our clients, which I prefer to call as my targets, are still not fully achieved.

CPWD has already mandated that all its buildings shall be Green. I will prefer that we start concentrating on this matter seriously so that the mission is put into practice and it is not limited to papers only.

The Vision, Mission statements and Citizen Charter are available on Website. I would appeal to all members of my CPWD family again, to go through them at least once and fix individual targets accordingly. It will certainly lead in accomplishing any goal of CPWD.

I look forward for your cooperation in making my tenure a memorable one, even if in a limited way, given the short tenure.

Thank you,

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All ADGs by name