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## HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### NOTIFICATION

The 21st September, 2017

No. 21800-13-HUD-65-REFM-17-SCH-16/2017/HUD.— Keeping in view of the frequent damage of underground utilities including water supply pipe lines as well as concealing of the sewer manholes during construction and renovation of roads, it is felt necessary to have proper coordination among the line Departments of Government to work together under a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). Accordingly, Government in H & UD Department has been pleased to constitute a Committee under the Chairmanship of E.I.C.-cum-Secy. to Govt., Works Department with the following members.

1. E.I.C.-cum-Secy. Works Department	:	Chairman
2. Chief Engineer, P.H.(Urban)	:	Member
3. Member Secy., OWS&SB	:	Member Convener
4. City Engineer (BMC)	:	Member
5. Sr..General Manager, SCRIPS,OPTCL	:	Member
6. Representative of CGM,BSNL	:	Member

The committee will prepare a **Standard Operating Procedure and Standard Tender Clause** covering the following aspects.

1. Construction of sewer manhole so as to flush with the road surface in view of safety & optimum utilization of source.
2. Precaution to be taken by the road authorities to ensure that the sewer manholes are not concealed during construction /renovation of the road.
3. To prevent unnecessary raising of road levels periodically by different road agencies.

4. To prevent damage of underground utilities such as water supply, sewerage, electrical, telephone, OFC etc. due to unsystematic excavation of roads during road construction/repair/renovation activities.
5. To include a standard clause in all the Road Construction Tender Documents in line with the above Standard Operating Procedure by all the Departments and Agencies dealing with roads.

The above committee will submit the final report within one month. The Standard Operating Procedure and the Standard Tender Clause shall be notified by the Works Department for mandatory compliance by all road construction departments/ agencies.

By Order of the Governor

G.MATHI VATHANAN

Commissioner-*cum*-Secretary to Government