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National Highways Authority of India

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

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Dear Poincipal,

As you are aware, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is mandated with development, maintenance and management of National Highways which are arterial networks of the Country. The NHAI's vision is to provide a world class NH network to meet the Nation's needs which is being realised by implementing a large number of mega highway projects in a cost effective manner. As highway infrastructure is built with public funds, NHAI always strives for enhanced economic and social benefits by way of savings in operating cost, safety, user comfort etc.

- 2. I would like to draw your attention towards an initiative of NHAI to leverage the intellectual prudence of students and faculty towards improvement of road infrastructure ecosystem in the country. As per this initiative, a Civil Engineering Institute may adopt a few nearby stretches of National Highway (NH), on voluntary basis, under the ambit of Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR). This provides opportunity to students for hands-on-learning, internships and a sense of contribution in building local infrastructure. The faculty gets relevant areas for their research, including access to data, aiming to improve quality and safety aspects of the NHs. The Institute derives utility through enhancing user experience and leveraging NHAI resources for further academic advancement. The NH stretch adopted can be co-branded with the associated technical institute by NHAI.
- 3. In this regard, I invite you to adopt some of the NH stretches near your Institute on voluntary basis. The broad contours of association are enclosed with the letter. Once an inprinciple consent is received from your end, the detailed modalities of such an arrangement could be worked out with mutual convenience. In this regard, I have asked my senior officer to be in touch with you with this letter and brief about the potential stretches for this purpose and mutual benefits of the collaboration.
- 4. I look forward to your support and cooperation in this endeavour of Nation building through improvement of road infrastructure of the country.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

Encl.: As above.

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As per list attached