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**NOTIFICATION**

**Subject: Use of Local Concrete Bricks in Public Infrastructure Constructions**

Reinforcing the Government Order issued vide letter no. C-2/89/152, dated 9 December 2015, the Ministry of Finance hereby notifies all Budgetary Agencies on the use of locally-made concrete bricks while carrying out public construction works. In order to ensure compliance, the following directives are hereby issued:

1. Local concrete bricks shall be mandatorily used for the construction of boundary walls, infill, partitions and any other areas deemed necessary for all public construction works.
2. The Budgetary Agencies and Contractors at the time of implementation shall ensure that the concrete bricks are Bhutan Standard Bureau (BSB) certified.
3. When the Procurement of works are executed through the tendering process, it is mandatory for the Budgetary Agencies to incorporate the use of locally manufactured concrete bricks in the designs, drawings, estimates, and Bill of Quantities (BoQ).
4. In case works are executed departmentally by the Budgetary Agencies, the concrete bricks shall be procured through competitive bidding process amongst the local manufacturers.
5. The Manufacturer shall ensure that they prioritize quality, consistency of supply and price competitiveness.
6. The Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Employment has issued the Accountability Measures (attached) to ensure compliance clearly outlining the responsibilities of local manufacturers, contractors, budgetary agencies, and regulatory bodies. Any non-compliance must be reported and strict action shall be taken against the defaulters.
7. Additionally, private infrastructure projects are strongly encouraged to use locally manufactured concrete bricks.

This notification is issued with the utmost importance and for strict compliance.

(Leki Wangmo)

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