

DIPLOMA ENGINEERS - PIVOT OF DEVELOPMENT WORKS

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The Sub-Assistant Engineers are in numerical strength in the state. We the Diploma Engineers are rendering valuable services to the developmental activities especially in different kinds of construction works and carrying out the electrification programme in a big way.

No doubt, we are advised and directed by our seniors but it is we upon whom execution of any plan pertaining to our department solely rests. Thus we assume great importance in this sense.

Every design, Scheme or estimate may be corrected or can be called foolproof on a piece of paper only. However, one will agree to this fact that its implementation often creates practical difficulties, which need immediate Solution, Sometimes, it become impossible to seek advice from the advising agency. This is a momentous moment for a Sub-Assistant Engineer to apply his technical knowledge, though considered interior, to takes decision on the Spot. Being the men in the field, we are frequently confronted with the problems which Crop up during any work in progress.

The other important fact about us is that we are the chief link between skilled and unskilled labour and technically sound people. This affords an opportunity to us to point out the lacuna, deficiency, and modification in the scheme to the higher authorities which many times leads to the revision of the original estimates, scheme and designs.

Agreeably, Sub-Assistant Engineers in the era of highly Sophisticated science and technology, cannot have edge over those who have qualified Degrees and have entered the Profession. This single factor has placed them on higher berths. No one will deny that they should not be benefited from their higher learning. But the nature of the work both the Diploma and degree holders is almost the same. Those who have been promoted with lesser; qualifications have proved their worth to, that of degree holders. A Diploma Engineers, indeed, in practice is therefore, really a link between the actual workers and the designers, in rendering services the Diploma Engineers have automatically to shoulder the multi-farious responsibilities. In Course of time, with the experience gained through the jobs, a Diploma Engineer thus becomes a worker. An Engineers and Executive all at a time and becomes a worker, an Engineer and Executive all at a time and becomes a real asset to the nation as a whole. It is better worth while to refer to the report of Das Commission appointed by the Govt. of India in the year 1958 who expressed the valued opinion as reproduced – “A Diploma Engineer is in no way inferior to Degree Engineer for the purpose of Govt. Service”.

Concludingly, while department frames promotion rules, a fair representation should be given to this class too as we have long innings in the department and have rick experience of the field. If incentive is accepted criteria of efficiency then we too deserve, better deal.

In the hierarchy of the Engineering profession we have been found to be the first official at the site and also the last one to leave it. Perhaps, this single notion proves that we ere and are backbone of developmental activities.

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