

Case study No. V

ISSUING OF FALSE WORK DONE (EXPERIENCE) CERTIFICATE

During course of investigation, an irregularity in the form of issuance of false experience certificate has come to notice for an agreement. Scope of work under the agreement was of the execution of a Road Over Bridge consisting of Bow String Girder. Maximum single span length of girder under the agreement was of 35.96m.

Key aspects of the case are as below:-

- The firm has requested railway to issue the work done(experience) certificate after the physical completion of work. In addition to regular standard details, which are part of an experience certificate, the firm has requested to provide additional information of maximum span of length of a girder, quantity of steel works executed and details of 1200mm diameter piles done.
- Concerned engineer in charge has issued the experience certificate with false details which are tabulated below:-

<i>Description of Item</i>	<i>Actual detail</i>	<i>As per false Certification</i>
Obligatory/Railway span length, Composite Girder	35.96 mtr(overall length) /35.00mtr (effective span) /34.00mtr (clear span)	45.35 mtrs
Quantity of Structural Steel Girder	575.721 MT	745.50 MT
Quantity of 1200 mm dia RCC Piles	NIL	3846.10 Mtr
Quantity of 1000 mm dia RCC Piles	3846.10m	NIL

- Work done of 45.35m span length composite girder bridge work was certified against the actual 35.96m maximum length executed. Significantly at that point of time nowhere in Indian Railway, 45mspan length of composite girder bridge work was executed. Even RDSO has not approved any drawing more than 36.0m length at that point of time.
- There was false certification of 1200mm diameter RCC piles work done whereas in the agreement only 1000mm diameter piles were executed. In railway most commonly used piles are of 1000mm diameter only, so deliberate manipulation is done.
- There were tenders available in the various zonal railways,PSUs and NHAI, wherein work experience of 45m span length of girder,1200mm diameter pile

work and a particular quantity of execution of structural steels were needed as an eligibility criteria. The firm has participated in more than 10 numbers of tender with this false experience certificate and succeeded in getting few work out of those tender also.

- Even some of the requests of genuineness verification received from other organisations, were certified by the engineer in charge.

