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To

1. All the Officers in the Head Office.
2. All the Regional Officers in the Field.

Sub: Notification S.O. 3067(E) dated 1st Dec., 2009 amending the EIA Notification, 2006- Regarding.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of Notification S.O. 3067(E) dated 1st Dec., 2009 received from Director, Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests amending the EIA Notification, 2006 for information and further necessary action.

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Scientist 'C'-I(HQ)
For HSPCB

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

1. P.A. to Chairman.
2. P.A. to Member Secretary.

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For HSPCB

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 1st December, 2009

S.O. 3067(E).— Whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (v) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), a draft notification for making certain amendments in the Environment Impact Assessment notification, 2006 issued vide no. S.O. 1533 (E), dated the 14th September, 2006, was published under sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, vide number S.O. 195 (E), dated the 19th January, 2009, inviting objections and suggestions from all the persons likely to be affected thereby, within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of the said notification in the Gazette of India;

And whereas, all objections and suggestions received in response to the above mentioned draft notification have been duly considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (v) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, read with clause (d) of sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments in the said notification, namely:-

In the said notification, -

I in para 3, for sub-para (7), the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“(7) All decisions of the SEIAA shall be taken in a meeting and shall ordinarily be unanimous: .

Provided that, in case a decision is taken by majority, the details of views, for and against it, shall be clearly recorded in the minutes and a copy thereof sent to MoEF.”

II in para 4, in sub-para (iii), for the words and letters “In the absence of a duly constituted SEIAA or SEAC, a Category ‘B’ project shall be treated as a Category ‘A’ project”, the words and letters “In the absence of a duly constituted SEIAA or SEAC, a Category ‘B’ project shall be considered at the Central Level as a Category ‘B’ project” shall be substituted.

III in para 7(i), in sub-para III relating to Stage (3) - Public Consultation, in clause (i),—

(i) after item (c), the following item shall be inserted, namely:—

“(cc) maintenance dredging provided the dredged material shall be disposed within port limits.”;

(ii) for item (d), the following item shall be substituted, namely:—

“(d) All Building or Construction projects or Area Development projects (which do not contain any category ‘A’ projects and activities) and Townships (item 8(a) and 8(b) in the Schedule to the notification).”.

IV In para 10 relating to Post Environmental Clearance Monitoring,-

(a) the existing sub-para (i) shall be renumbered as sub-para (ii) and before sub-para (ii) as so re-numbered, the following sub-para shall be inserted namely;

“(i) (a) In respect of Category ‘A’ projects, it shall be mandatory for the project proponent to make public the environmental clearance granted for their project along with the environmental conditions and safeguards at their cost by prominently advertising it at least in two local newspapers of the district or State where the project is located and in addition, this shall also be displayed in the project proponent’s website permanently. (b) In respect of Category ‘B’ projects, irrespective of its clearance by MoEF / SEIAA, the project proponent shall prominently advertise in the newspapers indicating that the project has been accorded environment clearance and the details of MoEF website where it is displayed. (c) The Ministry of Environment and Forests and the State/Union Territory Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authorities (SEIAAs), as the case may be, shall also place the environmental clearance in the public domain on Government portal. (d) The copies of the environmental clearance shall be submitted by the project proponents to the Heads of local bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government who in turn has to display the same for 30 days from the date of receipt.”;

(b) existing sub-para (ii) shall be renumbered as sub-para (iii).

V in the Schedule,—

(i) for item 1(a) and the entries relating thereto, the following item and entries shall be substituted, namely:—

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
"1(a)	(i) Mining minerals. of	<p>≥50 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease.</p> <p>>150 ha of mining lease area in respect of coal mine lease.</p> <p>Asbestos mining irrespective of mining area.</p>	<p><50 ha ≥5 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease.</p> <p>≤150 ha ≥5 ha of mining lease area in respect of coal mine lease.</p>	<p>General Condition shall apply.</p> <p>Note: Mineral prospecting is exempted.";</p>
	(ii) Slurry pipelines (coal lignite and other ores) passing through national parks/ sanctuaries/ coral reefs, ecologically sensitive areas.	All projects.		

(ii) against item 1(c), for the entries in column (5), the following entries shall be substituted, namely:—

"General Condition shall apply.

Note: Irrigation projects not involving submergence or inter-state domain shall be appraised by the SEIAA as Category 'B' Projects.";

(iii) against item 1(d),—

(a) in column (3), for the entries, the following entries shall be substituted, namely—

- ≥ 500 MW (coal/lignite/naphtha and gas based);
- ≥ 50 MW (Pet coke, diesel and all other fuels including refinery residual oil waste except biomass);

≥ 20 MW (based on biomass or non hazardous municipal solid waste as fuel).";

(b) in column (4), for the entries, the following entries shall be substituted, namely:—

"<500MW (coal/lignite/naphtha and gas based);
<50 MW ≥ 5 MW (Pet coke, diesel and all other fuels including refinery residual oil waste except biomass);
<20MW > 15MW (based on biomass or non hazardous municipal solid waste as fuel).";

(c) in column (5), for the entries, the following entries shall be substituted, namely:—

"General Condition shall apply.

Note:

- (i) Power plants up to 15 MW, based on biomass and using auxiliary fuel such as coal / lignite / petroleum products up to 15% are exempt.
- (ii) Power plants up to 15 MW, based on non-hazardous municipal waste and using auxiliary fuel such as coal / lignite / petroleum products up to 15% are exempt.
- (iii) Power plants using waste heat boiler without any auxiliary fuel are exempt.";

(iv) against item 3(a), in column (5), for the entries, the following entries shall be substituted, namely:—

"General condition shall apply.

Note:

- (i) The recycling industrial units registered under the HSM Rules, are exempted.
- (ii) In case of secondary metallurgical processing industrial units, those projects involving operation of furnaces only such as induction and electric arc furnace, submerged arc furnace, and cupola with capacity more than 30,000 tonnes per annum (TPA) would require environmental clearance.
- (iii) Plant / units other than power plants (given against entry no. 1(d) of the schedule), based on municipal solid waste (non-hazardous) are exempted.".

- (v) against item 4(b), in column (5), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“General conditions shall apply.”;

- (vi) against item 4(d),—

- (a) in column (4), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

(i) All projects irrespective of the size, if it is located in a Notified Industrial Area/Estate.

(ii) < 300 tonnes per day (TPD) and located outside a Notified Industrial Area/ Estate.”;

- (b) in column (5), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“General as well as specific conditions shall apply.

No new Mercury Cell based plants will be permitted and existing units converting to membrane cell technology are exempt from the notification.”;

- (vii) against item 4(f), in column (5), for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“General as well as specific conditions shall apply.”;

- (viii) against item 5(a),—

- (a) in column (3), for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“All projects except Single Super Phosphate.”;

- (b) in column (4), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“Single Super Phosphate.”;

(ix) against item 5(e), in column (5), for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"General as well as specific conditions shall apply.";

(x) against item 5(f), in column (5), for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"General and specific conditions shall apply." ;

(xi) item 5(k) and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted;

(xii) against item 7(a),—

(a) in column (3), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"All projects including airstrips, which are for commercial use.";

(b) in column (5), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"Note:

Air strips, which do not involve bunkering/ refueling facility and or Air Traffic Control, are exempted.";

(xiii) against item 7(c), in column (5), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"General as well as specific conditions shall apply.

Note:

1. Industrial Estate of area below 500 ha. and not housing any industry of Category 'A' or 'B' does not require clearance.
2. If the area is less than 500 ha. but contains building and construction projects > 20,000 Sq. mtr. and or development area more than 50 ha it will be treated as activity listed at serial no. 8(a) or 8(b) in the Schedule, as the case may be.";

(xiv) against item 7(e),—

(a) in column (2), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“Ports, harbours, break waters, dredging.”

(b) in column (5), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“General Condition shall apply.

Note:

1. Capital dredging inside and outside the ports or harbors and channels are included;
2. Maintenance dredging is exempt provided it formed part of the original proposal for which Environment Management Plan (EMP) was prepared and environmental clearance obtained.”;

(xv) against item 7(f),

(a) in column (4), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted namely:-

- “(i) All State Highway Projects; and
- (ii) State Highway expansion projects in hilly terrain (above 1,000 m AMSL) and or ecologically sensitive areas.”;

(b) in column (5) for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:-

“General Condition shall apply.

Note:

Highways include expressways.”;

(xvi) against item 7(g),—

(a) in column (3), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

- "(i) All projects located at altitude of 1,000 mtr. and above.
(ii) All projects located in notified ecologically sensitive areas.";

(b) in column (4), for the entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"All projects except those covered in column (3).";

(xvii) after the Schedule, in the 'Note', for sub-heading relating to 'General Condition (GC)', the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"General Condition (GC):

Any project or activity specified in Category 'B' will be treated as Category 'A', if located in whole or in part within 10 km from the boundary of: (i) Protected areas notified under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972; (ii) Critically polluted areas as identified by the Central Pollution Control Board from time to time; (iii) Eco-sensitive areas as notified under section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, such as, Mahabaleshwar Panchgani, Matheran, Pachmarhi, Dahanu, Doon Valley, and (iv) inter-State boundaries and international boundaries:

Provided that the requirement regarding distance of 10 km of the inter-State boundaries can be reduced or completely done away with by an agreement between the respective States or U.Ts sharing the common boundary in case the activity does not fall within 10 kilometres of the areas mentioned at item (i), (ii) and (iii) above."

VI in the Appendix I, in Form I,—

(a) for item (I) relating to the Basic Information, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"(I) Basic Information

Serial Number	Item	Details
1.	Name of the project/s	
2.	S. No. in the schedule	

3.	Proposed capacity/area/length/tonnage to be handled/command area/lease area/number of wells to be drilled	
4.	New/Expansion/Modernization	
5.	Existing Capacity/Area etc.	
6.	Category of Project i.e. 'A' or 'B'	
7.	Does it attract the general condition? If yes, please specify.	
8.	Does it attract the specific condition? If yes, please specify.	
9.	Location	
	Plot/Survey/Khasra No.	
	Village	
	Tehsil	
	District	
	State	
10.	Nearest railway station/airport along with distance in kms.	
11.	Nearest Town, city, District Headquarters along with distance in kms.	
12.	Village Panchayats, Zilla Parishad, Municipal Corporation, Local body (complete postal addresses with telephone nos. to be given)	
13.	Name of the applicant	
14.	Registered Address	
15.	Address for correspondence :	
	Name	
	Designation (Owner/Partner/CEO)	
	Address	
	Pin Code	
	E-mail	
	Telephone No.	
Fax No.		
16.	Details of Alternative Sites examined, if any. Location of these sites should be shown on a topo sheet.	Village-District-State 1. 2. 3. "
17.	Interlinked Projects	
18.	Whether separate application of interlinked project has been submitted?	
19.	If yes, date of submission	
20.	If no, reason	

21.	Whether the proposal involves approval/clearance under: if yes, details of the same and their status to be given. (a) The Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 ? (b) The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 ? (c) The C.R.Z Notification, 1991 ?	
22	Whether there is any Government Order/Policy relevant/relating to the site?	
23.	Forest land involved (hectares)	
24.	Whether there is any litigation pending against the project and/or land in which the project is propose to be set up? (a) Name of the Court (b) Case No. (c) Orders/directions of the Court, if any and its relevance with the proposed project.	

(b) the following shall be inserted at the end, namely:—

"I hereby given undertaking that the data and information given in the application and enclosures are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I am aware that if any part of the data and information submitted is found to be false or misleading at any stage, the project will be rejected and clearance give, if any to the project will be revoked at our risk and cost.

Date: _____

Place: _____

Signature of the applicant
With Name and Full Address
(Project Proponent / Authorised Signatory)

NOTE:

1. The projects involving clearance under Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 1991 shall submit with the application a C.R.Z map duly demarcated by one of the authorized agencies, showing the project activities, w.r.t. C.R.Z (at the stage of TOR) and the recommendations of the State Coastal Zone Management Authority (at the stage of EC). Simultaneous action shall also be taken to obtain the requisite clearance under the provisions of the C.R.Z Notification, 1991 for the activities to be located in the CRZ.
2. The projects to be located within 10 km of the National Parks, Sanctuaries, Biosphere Reserves, Migratory Corridors of Wild Animals, the project proponent shall submit the map duly authenticated by Chief Wildlife Warden showing these features vis-à-vis the project location and the

- recommendations or comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden thereon (at the stage of EC)."
3. All correspondence with the Ministry of Environment & Forests including submission of application for TOR/Environmental Clearance, subsequent clarifications, as may be required from time to time, participation in the EAC Meeting on behalf of the project proponent shall be made by the authorized signatory only. The authorized signatory should also submit a document in support of his claim of being an authorized signatory for the specific project."

VII for Appendix IV, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

**"APPENDIX IV
(See paragraph 7)**

PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCT OF PUBLIC HEARING

1.0 The Public Hearing shall be arranged in a systematic, time bound and transparent manner ensuring widest possible public participation at the project site(s) or in its close proximity District-wise, by the concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) or the Union Territory Pollution Control Committee (UTPCC).

2.0 The Process:

2.1 The applicant shall make a request through a simple letter to the Member Secretary of the SPCB or Union Territory Pollution Control Committee, in whose jurisdiction the project is located, to arrange the public hearing within the prescribed statutory period. In case the project site is covering more than one District or State or Union Territory, the public hearing is mandated in each District, State or Union Territory in which the project is located and the applicant shall make separate requests to each concerned SPCB or UTPCC for holding the public hearing as per this procedure.

2.2 The applicant shall enclose with the letter of request, at least 10 hard copies and an equivalent number of soft (electronic) copies of the draft EIA Report with the generic structure given in Appendix III including the Summary Environment Impact Assessment report in English and **in the official language of the state/local language**, prepared strictly in accordance with the Terms of Reference communicated after Scoping (Stage-2). Simultaneously the applicant shall arrange to forward copies, one hard and one soft, of the above draft EIA Report along with the Summary EIA report to the following authorities or offices, within whose jurisdiction the project will be located:

- (a) District Magistrate/**District collector/Deputy commissioner/s**
- (b) Zila Parishad or Municipal Corporation **or Panchayats Union**

- (c) District Industries Office
- (d) Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) / PRIs Concerned/**Development authorities**
- (e) Concerned Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Forests

2.3 On receiving the draft Environmental Impact Assessment report, the above-mentioned authorities except the Regional Office of MoEF, shall arrange to widely publicize it within their respective jurisdictions requesting the interested persons to send their comments to the concerned regulatory authorities. They shall also make available the draft EIA Report for inspection electronically or otherwise to the public during normal office hours till the Public Hearing is over.

2.4 The SPCB or UTPCC concerned shall also make similar arrangements for giving publicity about the project within the State/Union Territory and make available the Summary of the draft Environmental Impact Assessment report (Appendix III A) for inspection in select offices or public libraries or any other suitable location etc. They shall also additionally make available a copy of the draft Environmental Impact Assessment report to the above five authorities/offices as given in para 2.2.

3.0 Notice of Public Hearing:

3.1 The Member-Secretary of the concerned SPCB or UTPCC shall finalize the date, time and exact venue for the conduct of public hearing within 7 (seven) days of the date of receipt of the draft Environmental Impact Assessment report from the project proponent, and advertise the same in one major National Daily and one Regional vernacular Daily / Official State Language. A minimum notice period of 30 (thirty) days shall be provided to the public for furnishing their responses;

3.2 The advertisement shall also inform the public about the places or offices where the public could access the draft Environmental Impact Assessment report and the Summary Environmental Impact Assessment report before the public hearing. In places where the newspapers do not reach, the Competent Authority should arrange to inform the local public about the public hearing by other means such as by way of beating of drums as well as advertisement / announcement on radio / television.

3.3 No postponement of the date, time, venue of the public hearing shall be undertaken, unless some untoward emergency situation occurs and then only on the recommendation of the concerned District Magistrate/District collector/Deputy commissioner, the postponement shall be notified to the public through the same National and Regional vernacular dailies and also prominently displayed at all the identified offices by the concerned SPCB or Union Territory Pollution Control Committee;

3.4 In the above exceptional circumstances, fresh date, time and venue for the public consultation shall be decided by the Member – Secretary of the concerned SPCB or UTPCC only in consultation with the District

Magistrate/**District Collector/Deputy Commissioner** and notified afresh as per procedure under 3.1 above.

4.0 Supervision and Presiding over the Hearing:

4.1 The District Magistrate / District Collector / Deputy Commissioner or his or her representative not below the rank of an Additional District Magistrate assisted by a representative of SPCB or UTPCC, shall supervise and preside over the entire public hearing process.

5.0 Videography

5.1 The SPCB or UTPCC shall arrange to video film the entire proceedings. A copy of the videotape or a CD shall be enclosed with the public hearing proceedings while forwarding it to the Regulatory Authority concerned.

6.0 Proceedings

6.1 The attendance of all those who are present at the venue shall be noted and annexed with the final proceedings.

6.2 There shall be no quorum required for attendance for starting the proceedings.

6.3 A representative of the applicant shall initiate the proceedings with a presentation on the project and the Summary EIA report.

6.4 Persons present at the venue shall be granted the opportunity to seek information or clarifications on the project from the applicant. The summary of the public hearing proceedings accurately reflecting all the views and concerns expressed shall be recorded by the representative of the SPCB or UTPCC and read over to the audience at the end of the proceedings explaining the contents in the **local**/vernacular language and the agreed minutes shall be signed by the District Magistrate/**District Collector/Deputy Commissioner** or his or her representative on the same day and forwarded to the SPCB/UTPCC concerned.

6.5 A Statement of the issues raised by the public and the comments of the applicant shall also be prepared in the local language or the Official State language, as the case may be, and in English and annexed to the proceedings:

6.6 The proceedings of the public hearing shall be conspicuously displayed at the office of the Panchyats within whose jurisdiction the project is located, office of the concerned Zila Parishad, District Magistrate / **District collector / Deputy Commissioner**, and the SPCB or UTPCC. The SPCB or UTPCC shall also display the proceedings on its website for general information. Comments, if any, on the proceedings, may be sent directly to the concerned regulatory authorities and the applicant concerned.

7.0 Time period for completion of public hearing

7.1 The public hearing shall be completed within a period of forty five days from date of receipt of the request letter from the applicant. Thereafter the SPCB or UTPCC concerned shall sent the public hearing proceedings to the concerned regulatory authority within eight days of the completion of the public hearing. ***Simultaneously, a copy will also be provided to the project proponent.*** The applicant may also directly forward a copy of the approved public hearing proceedings to the regulatory authority concerned along with the final Environmental Impact Assessment report or supplementary report to the draft EIA report prepared after the public hearing and public consultations incorporating the concerns expressed in the public hearing along with action plan and financial allocation, item-wise, to address those concerns."

7.2 If the SPCB or UTPCC fails to hold the public hearing within the stipulated 45 (forty five) days, the Central government in Ministry of Environment and Forests for Category 'A' project or activity and the State Government or Union Territory Administration for Category 'B' project or activity at the request of the SEIAA, shall engage any other agency or authority to complete the process, as per procedure laid down in this Notification."

VIII in Appendix V, for para 3, the following para shall be substituted, namely:—

"3. Where a public consultation is not mandatory, the appraisal shall be made on the basis of the prescribed application Form 1 and EIA report, in the case of all projects and activities other than Item 8 of the Schedule. In the case of Item 8 of the Schedule, considering its unique project cycle, the EAC or SEAC concerned shall appraise all Category B projects or activities on the basis of Form 1, Form 1A and the conceptual plan and make recommendations on the project regarding grant of environmental clearance or otherwise and also stipulate the conditions for environmental clearance."

[No. J-11013/56/2004-IA. II(I)]

G. K. PANDEY, Advisor

Note: The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) vide notification number S.O. 1533(E), dated the 14th September, 2006 and amended vide S.O. 1737(E), dated the 11th October, 2007.