

Brief Summary of Project

Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Limited (hereinafter referred to as "APSEZ"), is India's largest ports developer and Mundra port is its flagship port facilitated with a port based SEZ.

APSEZ had proposed for development of Multi-product Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in an area of 8481.2784 ha. (area notified by MoCI) and applied for the EC and CRZ clearance at MoEF&CC. All the procedures including preparation of EIA report, Public Hearing, preparation of CRZ maps, obtaining CRZ recommendation were carried out as per the EIA notification 2006 and CRZ notification 2011 and their subsequent amendments thereof. The Expert Appraisal Committee recommended the project for the area of 8481.2784 ha in their meetings dated 16.04.2012 (111th meeting), 04.06.2012 (113th meeting) and 09.07.2012 (114th meeting). After the EAC recommendation was obtained, the 1840 ha area was de-notified by MoCI on account of issue related to contiguity. Therefore MoEF&CC had issued the EC and CRZ clearance for 6641.2784 ha (8481.2784 – 1840) vide their letter dated 15.07.2014. Further, the de-notified area of 1840 ha. was again notified by MoCI vide their notification dated 11.12.2015. Now APSEZ wants to add 1840 ha area as expansion in the earlier granted 6641.2784 ha to make it 8481.2784 ha.

Since the entire process as per the EIA notification 2006 & CRZ Notification 2011, was followed for the 8481.2784 ha area, it is requested to grant the exemption from Public Hearing and EIA studies as there is no change in the project proposal.

Salient features of proposed development are as follows:

- The project proposal involves development of SEZ as per master planning. Various infrastructure facilities such as water and power supply, common water treatment facilities, transport facilities etc. will be developed by APSEZ.
- Various industrial installations, including but not limited to, chemical, pharma, petroleum & petrochemicals, plastics, steel & minerals etc. will be developed. Such project activities will be developed by member industries. All applicable permissions including environmental clearance and others as applicable will be taken by the individual industrial units.
- APSEZ will be providing only the infrastructure facilities & utilities to the industrial units coming up within this area.
- 1840 ha land (present proposal) is contiguous to the approved SEZ of 6641.2784 ha.
- Necessary permissions for STP / CETP considering the development of entire area of 8481.2784 are already obtained (as part of EC dated 15.07.2014)
- Source and quantum of water & power requirement for the overall SEZ area of 8481.2784 will remain unchanged as per the original proposal.
- There are no settlements in the present land hence there is no requirement of R & R plan
- 1840 ha area is forest land which is diverted for the purpose of SEZ. Forest clearance was obtained vide letter dated 30.09.2009.