

F. No.J-15012/1/2005-IA.I (pt)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(IA Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-3
Dated: 9th December, 2016

ORDER

In supersession of this Ministry's Order No.J-15012/1/2005-IA.I (pt) dated 12th September, 2013, the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, hereby reconstitutes the Expert Appraisal Committee for appraisal of Infrastructure, CRZ and other miscellaneous projects in terms of the provisions of the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 and Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011, with the following composition:

S. No.	Name and Organization	Role/Expertise
1.	Dr. Deepak Arun Apte, Director, Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS), Mumbai	Chairman
2.	Dr. E. Vivekanandan, Plot 1, Sarathy Nagar, 5 th Street, Velachery, Chennai - 42	Member - Environmental Economics
3.	Dr. S. W. A. Naqvi, Former Director, NIO-CSIR, Goa	Member - Project Management CRZ Expert
4.	Dr. S. G. Bhave, Associate Dean Forestry, Kokan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli, Maharashtra	Member - Forestry & Wildlife
5.	Representative of Ministry of Earth Sciences	Member
6.	Representative of CRR	Member
7.	Representative of MoWR, RD & GR	Member
8.	Representative of CPCB	Member
9.	Representative of Survey of India	Member
10.	Sri S. K. Srivastava, Scientist E, IA-III Division, MoEF&CC, N Delhi	Member Secretary

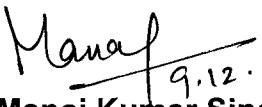
2. The terms of reference of the Committee will be as follows:-
 - (i) The Committee shall consider the Infrastructure, CRZ and other miscellaneous projects (Category A) from all over the country.
 - (ii) To scrutinize the proposals relating to Infrastructure, CRZ and other miscellaneous projects for prescribing Terms of Reference (ToRs) for undertaking detailed Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) studies.
 - (iii) To scrutinize the EIA reports and Environmental Management Plans for Infrastructure, CRZ and other miscellaneous projects submitted by the project proponents.
 - (iv) To recommend clearance/rejection for Infrastructure, CRZ and other miscellaneous projects from environmental angle. In case of rejection of proposals, reasons for the same shall be stated.
 - (v) To suggest adequate safeguards to mitigate adverse environmental impacts for the projects recommended for approval.
3. The committee shall adopt the following procedure for appraisal:-
 - (i) The Committee shall meet at least once in a month on a fixed date/period.
 - (ii) The agenda for the meeting shall be circulated to all the members at least 15 days prior to the scheduled meeting by the Member Secretary.
 - (iii) The appraisal of the proposal shall be carried out subject to availability of material relevant for appraisal and firm recommendations made. In case the Committee finds that additional information are required for considering the proposal, the consideration of the proposal may be deferred to the subsequent meetings and the proposal shall be re-considered only after formal receipt of additional information sought. The Committee will provide recommendations in respect of any projects under the following three mutually exclusive categories:-
 - (a) Recommended
 - (b) Deferred [for consideration in the next or future meeting as may be specified in the Committee deliberations, after submission of required additional information to be further reviewed/examined by the EAC].
 - (c) Rejected [along with reasons for rejection].
 - (iv) A site visit as part of the appraisal process may be undertaken where it considered necessary for reasons to be recorded by the Committee, with the prior approval of the Ministry. The site visit team shall comprise of not more than three members.
 - (v) Minutes of each meeting shall be finalized within five working days after the meeting.
4. The tenure of the Committee shall be for a period of three years from the date of issue of this Order.
5. Meetings of the Committee normally shall be organized in Delhi. However, in special cases, with the prior concurrence of the Ministry, a meeting may be held elsewhere in the country.

6. The Committee may co-opt an expert as a member in a relevant field with prior approval of the Ministry.

7. TA/DA of the members/co-opted experts/ independent experts nominated by the Ministry for attending the meeting of the Committee or undertaking site visits approved by the Ministry shall be met by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change as per rules. The Chairman/members of the Committee are entitled for Travelling Allowance as admissible under the Rules.

8. The non-official members/co-opted experts/independent nominated experts attending the Committee meetings/site visits are also entitled for honorarium of Rs.5000/- per day and road mileage as per Government Rules.

9. This issues with the concurrence of IFD vide their Dy. No.P-17903 dated 9th December, 2016 and with the approval of the Competent Authority.


9.12.2016
(Manoj Kumar Singh)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India

To,

The Chairman and all Members of the Committee

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