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Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests (I.A. Division)

Paryavaran Bhawan CGO Complex, Lodhi Road New Delhi – 110 003 Dated 28th June, 2010

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Accreditation of EIA Consultant by Quality Council of India.

In continuation of Ministry's O.M. of even number dated 2nd December, 2009, 18th March, 2010 and 28th May, 2010 (available on Ministry's website http://www.envfor.nic.in). The following procedure would be followed during the extended time for accreditation till December, 2010:

- The 157 consultants (List enclosed) who have applied to the QCI for accreditation/registration may be permitted to appear before State Level Expert Appraisal Committee / State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEAC/ SEIAA) for Category 'B' projects and Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) for Category 'A' projects till 31st December, 2010. These 157 consultants will be permitted to certify various documents, as consultants, such as EIA/EMP reports.
- ii) The QCI would weekly update the list after ensuring completeness of application, which would be added in the list of 157 consultants for uploading on the website.
- iii) No one else whose name does not figure in the uploaded lists would be permitted to appear before SEAC/SEIAA or EAC or certify any documents in the entire process from the stage of applying in Form-(i) A to "Terms of References" to "Environmental Clearance".
- iv) A complete list of consultants accreditated or under consideration for the accreditation shall be weekly updated by the Ministry on its website also.
- v) The EIA /EMP document is the responsibility of the Project Proponent, who would be accountable for any misinformation / errors, if any, irrespective of who prepared it

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(Dr. P.B. Rastogi)

- 1. All the Officers of IA Division
- 2. Chairman/Secretaries of SEIAA/SEACs
- Website of MoEF
- 4. Guard File