

classification, recreational and other purposes, except as permissible under the Notification.

#### of Permissible Activities :

These activities, except those prohibited in para 3(2) and 3(3), shall be regulated as under :

(1) Clearance shall be given for any activity within the Coastal Regulation Zone only if it requires water front and foreshore facilities.

(2) The following activities will require environmental clearance from the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, namely :

(i) Construction activities related to Defence requirements for which foreshore facilities are essential (e.g. slipways, jetties etc.); except for classified operational component of defence projects for which a separate procedure shall be followed. (Residential buildings, office buildings, hospital complexes, workshops shall not come within the definition of operational requirements except in very special cases and hence shall not normally be permitted in the CRZ);

(ii) Operational constructions for ports and harbours and light houses requiring water frontage; jetties, wharves, quays, slipways etc. (Residential buildings & office buildings shall not come within the definition of operational activities except in very special cases and hence shall not normally be permitted in the CRZ);

(iii) Thermal power plants (only foreshore facilities for transport of raw materials facilities for in-take of cooling water and out-fall for discharge of treated waste water (cooling water); and

(iv) All other activities with investment exceeding rupees five crores.

3) (i) The coastal States and Union Territory Administrations shall prepare, within a period of one year from the date of this Notification, Coastal Zone Management Plans identifying and classifying the CRZ areas within their respective territories in accordance with the guidelines given in Annexures-I and II of the Notification and obtain approval (with or without modification) of the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment & Forests;

(ii) Within the framework of such approved plans, all development and activities within the CRZ other than those covered in para 2 and para 3(2) above shall be regulated by the State Government, Union Territory Administration or the local authority as the case may be, in accordance with the guidelines given in Annexures-I and II of the Notification; and

(iii) In the interim period till the Coastal Zone Management Plans mentioned in para 3(3)(i) above are prepared and approved, all developments and activities within the CRZ shall not violate the provisions of this Notification. State Governments and Union Territory Administrations shall ensure adherence to these regulations and violations, if any, shall be subject to the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

#### d. Procedure for monitoring and enforcement :

The Ministry of Environment & Forests and the Government of State or Union Territory and such other authorities at the State or Union Territory level, as may be designated for this purpose, shall be responsible for monitoring and enforcement of the provisions of this notification within their respective jurisdictions.

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#### ANNEXURE-I

#### COASTAL AREA CLASSIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

##### Classification of Coastal Regulation Zone :

6(1) For regulating development activities, the coastal stretches within 500 metres of High Tide Line of the landward side are classified into four categories, namely :

##### Category I (CRZ-I) (CRZ-I)

(i) Areas that are ecologically sensitive and important, such as national parks, sanctuaries, reserve forests, wildlife habitats, mangroves, coral/coastal reefs, areas close to breeding and spawning grounds of fish and other marine life, areas of outstanding natural beauty/historical/heritage areas, areas rich in genetic diversity, areas likely to be inundated due to rise in sea level consequent upon global warming and such other areas as may be declared by the Central Government or the concerned authorities at the State/Union Territory level from time to time.

(ii) Area between the Low Tide Line and the High Tide Line.

##### Category-II (CRZ-II)

The area that have already been developed upto or close to the shore-line. For this purpose, "developed area" is referred to as that area within the local limits or in other legally designated urban areas which is already substantially built up and which has been provided with drainage and approach roads and other infrastructural facilities, such as water supply and sewerage mains.

##### Category-III (CRZ-III)

Areas that are relatively undisturbed and those which do not belong to either Category-I or II. These