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Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests

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NOTIFICATION

S.O. 1244 (E). Whereas by notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment and Forests number S.O.19 (E), dated the 6th January, 2011 (hereinafter referred to as the said notification), the Central Government declared certain coastal stretches as Coastal Regulation Zone and restrictions were imposed on the setting up and expansion of industries, operations and processes in the said Zone;

And whereas under clause (viii) of paragraph 5 of the said notification the Coastal Zone Management Authority of the State Government or of the Union territory are required to submit the draft Coastal Zone Management Plans along with its recommendations to the Ministry of Environment and Forests on or before the 30th September, 2013, after incorporating the suggestions and objections received from the stakeholders.

And whereas the status of preparation of the Coastal Zone Management Plans has been periodically reviewed by the National Coastal Zone Management Authority and it has noted that the preparation of Coastal Zone Management Plans are in progress, it may take some more time for the States and Union territories to submit their respective draft Coastal Zone Management Plans for approval.

And whereas the Central Government, having regard to the provision of sub –rule (4) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, is of the opinion that it is in public interest to dispense with the requirement of notice under clause (a) of sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the said rules for amending the said notification;

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 (29 of 1986), read with clause (d) of sub-rules (3) and sub-rule (4) 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, in paragraph 5,

(a) for item (viii), the following item shall be substituted, namely:-

"(viii) The Coastal Zone Management Authority of the State Government or of the Union territory shall submit the draft Coastal Zone Management Plans along with its recommendations to the Ministry of Environment and Forests on or before the 30th September, 2014 after incorporating the suggestions and objections received from the stakeholders;

(b) for item (xii), the following item shall be substituted, namely:-

(xii) The Coastal Zone Management Plans which are already approved by the Ministry of Environment and Forests shall be used till 31st January, 2015.

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Explanatory Memorandum-

As per amendment vide S.O. 2557(E) dated 22nd August, 2013, the period of time limit granted to the State Government/Union Territory to submit the draft Coastal Zone Management Plans to Ministry of Environment and Forests was valid till 30th September, 2013 and the Coastal Zone Management Plans approved by the Ministry of Environment and Forests were valid till 31st January, 2014. It is certified that extending the time limit to submit the draft Coastal Zone Management Plans and also extending the validity of the Coastal Zone Management Plans with retrospective effect shall not prejudicially affect the interest of any person to whom such notification may be applicable.

Note: The principal notification was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii), vide number S.O. 19(E), dated the 6th January, 2011.