## No. J-170011/18/96-IA-III Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests (IA-III Division)

Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi- 110003.

Dated, the 8th August, 2011

## OFFICE ORDER

Sub: Reclassification of Coastal Regulation Zone area on the grounds of "Error apparent on face of the Record" - regarding.

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This has reference to the Office Memorandum (OM) of Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) vide letter No.J-17011/18/96-IA-III dated 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2011 regarding reclassification of Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) area.

In the above OM, the Ministry had stipulated that till the Coastal Zone Management Plans (CZMP) are prepared in accordance with the CRZ Notification, 2011, reclassification proposals in CRZ would be considered only on the grounds of Defence /Security matters, Court directions and error evident on record. It has been decided that any proposal for reclassification citing the ground of "error evident on record" should be preceded by an in depth examination by the State/Union Territory Coastal Zone Management Authority (CZMA) concerned bringing out clearly what is the error on record because of which the area/plot in question either does not fall in the CRZ, or has been wrongly classified; the Authority/ officials responsible for the error, as to how the error is proposed to be rectified, the corroborative/independent evidence supporting the proposed rectification of error -in the form of satellite imagery, Survey of India map, etc; and the conduct of field verification by a team involving the CZMAs, Municipal / Revenue Authorities and Experts, which should include one Expert from one of the Agencies authorized by MoEF for demarcating High Tide Line. It may be ensured that the Expert for the field verification should not be from the same authorized Agency, which demarcated the High Tide Line, on record, for the area / plot in question.

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3. After following the above procedure, the SCZMAs may recommend a proposal for reclassification on the ground of "error evident on record" to the National Coastal Zone Management Authority (NCZMA) for its consideration.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

(Bharat Bhushan)

Director

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08.08.2011

- 1. The Chairman of all SCZMA's
- 2. The Member Secretary of all SCZMA's,