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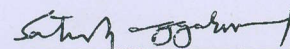
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Instructions for the Environmental Consultants – Regarding.

The quality of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports and Environment Management Plans (EMPs) prepared for seeking environmental clearance to developmental projects / activities in terms of the provisions of EIA Notification has been a matter of concern. Need has therefore been felt for accreditation of environmental consultants for ensuring quality EIA reports. While, the scheme of accreditation of consultants is being evolved along with Quality Council of India (QCI), in the meantime, it has been decided that the following instructions shall be followed by all the consultants involved in the preparation of EIA reports with immediate effect.

1. On the front page of EIA/EMP reports, the name of the consultants / consultancy firm along with their complete details including their accreditation, if any, by an organization such as Quality Council of India/National Accreditation Board for Education & Training (NABET) should be indicated. The consultant while submitting the EIA/EMP report shall give an undertaking to the effect that the prescribed TORs have been complied with and that the data submitted is factually correct.
2. While submitting the EIA / EMP reports, the names of all the Experts associated with / involved in the preparation of these reports and the laboratories through which the sample have been got analysed should be stated in the report. It should clearly be indicated whether these laboratories are approved under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Rules made there under.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.



(S.K. Aggarwal)
Director

To

All the Officers of IA Division

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