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Dated the March 01, 2011

To

M/s East Coast Energy Pvt. Ltd.
1st Floor, NBCC Tower
15, Bhikaji Cama Place
New Delhi - 110 066

Sub : 2640 MW Bhavanapadu Thermal Power project near village Kakrapalli in Srikakulam District in Andhra Pradesh - Directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Whereas, the Ministry had issued environmental clearance under the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006, which is a Notification under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to the above mentioned project vide the letter of even number dated 9th April, 2009 stipulating various conditions; and

Whereas, the Ministry has received several representations regarding the location of the project being in wetland area as well as regarding non-compliance with the order of Hon'ble National Environment Appellate Authority(NEAA) dated 30th August, 2010, which order is in the knowledge of the project proponents as a Respondent and is a public document; and

Whereas, in view of the nature and the seriousness of the matter, it had been decided that the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) dealing with Thermal Power Projects should consider these and the issue of compliance with the conditions stipulated in the aforesaid environmental clearance in its meeting scheduled to be held on 7th March, 2011; and


Whereas, it has been reported that an unfortunate incident of police firing has taken place at Kakrapalli village in the proximity of the project site resulting in death and injury to the local people, which incident was related to the above issues of wetland and non-compliance.

Now, therefore, pending receipt of the recommendations of the EAC(Thermal) and decision thereupon, the Ministry of Environment and Forests directs that :

(i) The on-going construction work related to this project be suspended forthwith.


(ii) A report be submitted immediately, latest by 6th March, 2011, with up to date and relevant details, of compliance with the conditions of the environmental clearance, the issue of the project site being located in the wetland and any other environmental matter, as are germane to the project location and development. Further, the representative/s of the company will remain present before the EAC(Thermal) in its meeting of 7th March, 2011.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.


(W. Bharat Singh)
Deputy Director

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1. The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
2. The Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Pollution Control Board, Paryavarana Bhawan, A-3, Industrial Estate, Sanath Nagar, Hyderabad - 500 018.
3. The District Collector, Srikakulam District, Andhra Pradesh.
4. Website of MoEF.


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