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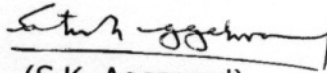
Office Memorandum

**Sub: Activities which can be undertaken without prior
Environmental Clearance - Clarification regarding.**

Instances have come to the notice of this Ministry where the project proponents have undertaken construction activities relating to the project at site without obtaining the requisite prior environmental clearance as is mandated under the EIA Notification, 2006. It is to reiterate that the EIA Notification, 2006 mandates prior environment clearance to be obtained in respect of all the activities listed therein following the prescribed procedure. No activity relating to any project covered under this Notification including civil construction, can be undertaken at site without obtaining prior environmental clearance except fencing of the site to protect it from getting encroached and construction of temporary shed(s) for the guard(s).

All the project proponent may note that any contravention of the provisions of the EIA Notification amounts to violation of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and would attract penal action under the provisions thereof. The project proponent may also note that in case of any project where TORs have been prescribed for undertaking detailed EIA study and where construction activities relating to the project have been initiated by them, the TORs so prescribed may be suspended / withdrawn in addition to initiating penal action under the provisions of the EP Act, 1986.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.


(S.K. Aggarwal)
Director

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