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Chief Executive Officer

Ref. No. MCHI/CEO/16-17/076

September 26, 2016

Sub: Request to issue the final Gazette Notification of Eco-Sensitive Zone

surrounding the Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP)

Ref: Suggestions of MCHI-CREDAI submitted to the secretary of MoEF dtd 18

March 2016

Respected Sir,

MCHI-CREDAI is an apex body consisting of members from Real Estate Industry among Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR). This organisation was formed in 1982, and it's the most prominent and the only recognized body of Real Estate Developers in Mumbai and MMR. We bring together members dealing in Real Estate Development on one common platform to address various issues facing the Industry. With a strong Membership of over 1800 leading Developers in Mumbai and the MCHI-CREDAI has expanded across MMR, having its own units in the region of Thane, Kalyan Dombivli, Mira Virar City, Raigad and Navi Mumbai. MCHI-CREDAI is recognized by Government of Maharashtra and the Central Government and helps in meeting their objectives of providing housing, which is a basic necessity.

As you are aware Sir, that on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2016, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change issued the draft notification for Eco-Sensitive Zone surrounding the Sanjay Gandhi National Park (SGNP). In reply to this draft notification MCHI-CREDAI already submitted our suggestion & objections to the secretary of MoEF on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016. (*Copy attached*)

Recently few months back, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change also discussed this issue in their both meetings and we learned that the expert members of this committee and concerned department officials of Central & State have also agreed for the proposal as forwarded by the State of Maharashtra. In order to complete this policy decision, it is necessary that



the final notification is finally published in the gazette along with the map showing extent of ESZ surrounding SGNP.

As the proposal has been discussed, debated and finalized, we sincerely request that the concerned officials are directed for issuing the final Gazette Notification immediately so that the long pending issue can be resolved.

Also with respect to the SEAC Committee for MMR area in state of Maharashtra, the tenure of the committee will end by October 2016. So in that context the formulation of new committee may be initiated at your level so that the hearing on pending proposals could not be affected due to the same

Therefore, kindly consider our both issues on priority basis and do the needful accordingly please

best personal regards.
Yours Sincenty

(S. S. Hussain)

To, Shri Ajay Narayan Jha (I.A.S.) Secretary for Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Paryavaran Bhavan, Government of India, New Delhi.

Encl: As above