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To,
All Members of MCHI-CREDAI & MCHI-CREDAI Units

Sub.: About to submit suggestions and objections on notification of Ecological Sensitive Area in Western Region of India.

Ref.: Notification issued by Ministry of Environment of Forest on 10th March, 2014 & Report prepared by Dr. K. Kasturirangan.

Dear Sir,

Please find attached copy of the notification issued by Ministry of Environment and Forest on 10th March, 2014, on the basis of report of the high level working group on Western Ghats which is prepared by Dr. K Kasturirangan, Chairman of this committee declaring the said areas as Eco Sensitive.

In this notification Government of India has included Raigad district of Maharashtra which comes under this Ecologically Sensitive Areas, consisting of Karjat and Khalapur Tehsils within the MMR.

Basically this report recommends that there will be development restriction in ESA and activities like mining, power & energy projects will not be allowed; red category industries also not allowed and building for construction projects of 20000 sq. mtrs. or more would be allowed. Township and area development projects will be prohibited. Other infrastructure projects/schemes will be subject to environment clearance under some Category 'A' Project etc.

Government of India has asked to submit a suggestion and objection on this issue within 60 days from the date of Publication of this Notification.

Therefore, kindly send your suggestions/objections on secretariat@mchi.net before 10th June 2014.

Regards,
For MCHI-CREDAI

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