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December 28, 2018

To, **Hon'ble Shri Devendra Fadnavis** Chief Minister Government of Maharashtra Mantralaya,

मुख्यमंत्री सचिवालय महाराष्ट्र भासन मंत्रालय, मुंबई ४०० ०३० नांक ७० ११५४४

Sub : Appreciation Letter for streamlining the EC process

Respected Sir,

Mumbai - 400032

Season Greetings from CREDAI-MCHI!

Sir, at the outset we take this opportunity to sincerely appreciate and thank you for your efforts taken in streamlining the Environmental Clearance (EC) process. We would like to highlight here that our plea have been taken up promptly with positive changes under the able guidance of Environment Secretary, Shri Anil Diggikar ji and his team. We deeply appreciate his efforts, support and cooperation. The SEACs & SEIAA have also increased the frequency of its meetings.

We would like to bring to your kind attention the following positive decisions taken after deliberation in the meeting held on 6th August, 2018 in the chamber of the Principal Secretary, Environment with the chairperson of SEIAA, SEAC-II, SEAC-III.

- 1. SEACs to not to insist IOD/CC and other approvals issued by local planning authorities during appraisal of the projects. SEACs should appreciate proposals on the basis of full potential available as per the prevailing DCR or as per the proposal/ conceptual plan submitted by project proponent which is in consonance with prevailing DCR. However, SEIAA will accord final EC on submission of approval by Planning Authority, after incorporation of changes suggested by SEACs, if any, during approval.
- 2. SEAC/SEIAA to follow circular No. 22-154/ 2015-1A.III dated 10th November 2015 issued by MoEF while appraising the proposals for EC. Further, location, size and nature etc. of environmental infrastructure should be fixed during the appraisal by SEACs.





3. SEAC must send its recommendations within stipulated time frame given in the EIA Notification of 2006. As per the instructions issued by MoEFCC, SEACs to decide on any matter maximum in two meetings and communicate its decision to SEIAA on merit. No matter shall be considered for 3rd time and it shall be ensured by chairman of respective SEACs.

With reference to our letter dated 12th December, 2018 wherein we had requested SEAC-I, II & III and SEIAA to start hearing the cases with built-up area 20000 sq mtrs. to 50000 sq mtrs. In this regard, we had a meeting with Shri Anil Diggikar on 27th December, 2018 wherein he resolved the matter and has issued a circular No. SEIAA-2018/CR-132/SEIAA dated 27th December, 2018.

DCPR 2034 has been introduced & various provisions have been amended so that the typical problems of Mumbai are addressed for eg. Development of old dilapidated Building, Development of Slums, Accommodation Reservations, Development of plots which are affected by roads setback, etc. A very dynamic regulation has been introduced by way of DCPR 2034, wherein all the stakeholders have been accommodated and this has led to a situation wherein the physical land available for the resale of building is all for area accommodation of the tenants which are far lesser than what was there before.

In view of that there have been various concessions that are granted in terms of open space requirements, in terms of layout open space required to be left, in terms of recreation ground, etc. Whereas, the overall layout would comply with the requirement of the open-space as per the regulation under which the approval is granted, but the resale building may not for that matter. In the larger interest of the city, re-accommodating the stakeholders, such approvals are granted either by SRA, or by MHADA, MCGM, MMRDA or by the relevant Special Planning Authority. Such cases as and when they come up before the environmental committees whether it is SEAC - I, II, III or SEIAA the same should also be cleared and the approval granted and the development control regulation will be respected as and when the environment clearances is granted. Each case or each kind of development would be separately dealt with to that extent. The Secretary has also accepted these issues and agreed to issue a circular in this regard.

We have been also meeting Shri Anil Diggikar ji regularly for small issues and every time he was very kind enough to accommodative and resolves the matter across the table and would also instruct the same immediately and proactively he has been meeting all the stakeholders to resolve the issues. He also promised the backlog would be cleared within 30 days.

We, CREDAI-MCHI have been given to understand after the fruitful meeting held with Shri Anil Diggikar ji dated 27th December, 2018 that the PMAY circular is also being issued.



Sir, we look forward to work closely with all concerned departments and resolve the further issues thereby enhancing the Government of Maharashtra's EoDB ranking to the next level.

Yours sincerely, For CREDAI-MCHI

Nayan A. Shah

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