

**MINUTES OF THE 31st MEETING OF THE
PUDUCHERRY COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
HELD ON 09.01.2015 AT 03.00 P.M.
IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF PHB BUILDING, ANNA NAGAR,
PUDUCHERRY.**

The 31st meeting of the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority was held on 09.01.2015 under the Chairmanship of Dr. V. Candavelou, I.A.S., Commissioner - cum - Secretary to Govt. (Science, Technology and Environment) – cum - Chairman (PCZMA). The following were present:-

1.	Director, Dte. of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry Rep. by: Thiru. S. Danassegarane, Dy. Director	- Member
2.	Thiru. S. Ragunathan, The Chief Town Planner, Town and Country Planning Department, Puducherry	- Member
3.	Dr. M. V. Ramana Murthy, Scientist G & Head, Offshore Structures Division, National Institute of Ocean Technology, NIOT Campus, Velachery – Tambaram Main Road, Narayanapuram, Pallikaranai, Chennai – 600 100	- Member
4.	Thiru. Jurgen Putz, Director, Palmyra, Centre for Ecological Landuse, Water Management and Rural Development, Auroville, Tamil Nadu.	- Member
5.	Thiru. C. Sivaraman, Dy. Director of Forests, Forest and Wildlife Department, Puducherry	- Special Invitee
6.	Thiru. M. Kanderselvam, Member Secretary, Puducherry Planning Authority, Puducherry	- Special Invitee
6.	Thiru M. Dwarakanath, Director, Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Puducherry	- Member Secretary

With the permission of Commissioner - cum - Secretary (Environment) –cum- Chairman (PCZMA), the Member Secretary welcomed the members and other officers present. The agenda was taken up for deliberation. All the proposals were placed before the Authority for perusal and the issues were deliberated as per the Agenda and decisions are as follows:

Agenda Item No. 1: Issue of CRZ Clearance for PIA- Electrical Division – Laying of UG cable in the coastal area of Puducherry region under CDRRP scheme

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. Dr. G. Poyyamoli, Associate Professor, Department of Environment and Ecology, Pondicherry University – Environmental Consultant for the project made a presentation on the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment of the project. The Authority observed that the project would reduce electricity down time during any extreme weather events like cyclones and would be extremely beneficial to the coastal communities. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to accord clearance for the project subject to the following conditions:

- i) All the recommendations made in the Environmental and Social Assessment Report prepared by Department of Ecology and Environment, Pondicherry University for the project shall be scrupulously followed.
- ii) The activities should not cause any adverse impact on the nearby ecology/biodiversity.
- iii) Proper arrangements shall be made for disposal of solid wastes generated during laying operation.
- iv) All activities should be in conformity with the provisions of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- v) The project proponent shall submit bi-annual report on the project progress to PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 2: Issue of CRZ Clearance for construction of provision of Berthing and Allied Facilities and High Security compound wall in Coast Guard Land at Veerampattinam.

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority observed that the proposal is basically required for coastal and maritime security and resolved to accord clearance for the project subject to the following conditions:

- i) Compound wall and facilities essential for safe berthing of Hover Crafts shall only be constructed. No other permanent structures shall be constructed. Only temporary Eco – Friendly structures to be constructed for the auxiliary uses.
- ii) The activities should not cause any adverse impact on the nearby ecology/biodiversity.
- iii) There should not be any ground water extraction in CRZ areas.
- iv) No untreated waste water shall be discharged in the Coastal Regulation Zone.
- v) Proper arrangements shall be made for disposal of solid wastes and there shall not be any dumping of solid waste in CRZ areas.

- vi) All activities should be in conformity with the provisions of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- vii) The project proponent shall submit bi-annual report on the project progress to PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 3: Issue of CRZ Clearance for construction of M/s. Alpha Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Thengaithittu

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to recommend the proposal to Puducherry Planning Authority for approval subject to the following conditions:

- i) The proposed construction shall be beyond 100 meters or the width of the tidal influenced water body, whichever is less.
- ii) The buildings shall only be for Higher Classes.
- iii) The buildings shall be at higher elevation.
- iv) Building Plan parameters shall be in conformity with the existing Town and Country Planning Regulations including the existing norms of Floor Space Index or Floor Area Ratio.
- v) There should not be any ground water extraction in CRZ areas.
- vi) No untreated waste water shall be discharged in the Coastal Regulation Zone.
- vii) Proper arrangements shall be made for disposal of solid wastes and there shall not be any dumping of solid waste in CRZ areas.
- viii) All activities should be in conformity with the provisions of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- ix) The project proponent shall submit bi-annual report on the project progress to PCZMA.
- x) The project proponent shall obtain necessary clearance from PPCC.

Agenda Item No. 4: Issue of CRZ Clearance for Puducherry Mahatma Gandhi Green Development Project proposed by Puducherry Environment and Mangrove Forest Development & Protection Society

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to return back the project proposal as the same has not been filed by the road / land – owning Authority.

Agenda Item No. 5: Issue of CRZ Clearance for carrying out repair / replacement and modification of exiting marine discharge pipeline of M/s. Chemfab Alkalix Limited, Kalapet, Puducherry

This is a pre – 1991 unit and the marine discharge pipelines were laid before the advent of CRZ Notification, 1991. The unit has obtained necessary Air and Water Consent Authorization / Renewal from the time to time since 1991 and the latest being on 17.12.2013. In this backdrop, the authority considered the proposal and observed that the Project Proponent is seeking a blanket Clearance for future repair / replacement and modification works in the existing marine discharge pipeline of the industry. After due deliberations, the Authority resolved to return back the project proposal with a direction to apply for clearance as and when the need for repair /replacement / modification of marine discharge pipeline arises, as communicated vide letter No. 9/DSTE/PCZMA/DIR/JE/2014/584 dt. 26.12.2014

Agenda Item No. 6: Issue of CRZ Clearance for carrying out repair / replacement and modification of exiting marine outfall system of M/s. Shasun Pharmaceuticals Limited, Kalapet, Puducherry.

This is a pre – 1991 unit and the marine discharge pipelines were laid before the advent of CRZ Notification, 1991. The unit has obtained necessary Air and Water Consent Authorization / Renewal from the time to time since 1991 and the latest being on 14.11.2014. In this backdrop, the authority considered the proposal and observed that the Project Proponent is seeking a blanket Clearance for future repair / replacement and modification works in the existing marine discharge pipeline of the industry. After due deliberations, the Authority resolved to return back the project proposal with a direction to apply for clearance as and when the need for repair /replacement / modification of marine discharge pipeline arises, as communicated vide letter No9/ DSTE/ PCZMA/ DIR/JE/2014/584 dt. 26.12.2014

Agenda Item No. 7: Issue of CRZ Clearance for Alteration and Addition in the existing three storied commercial building (Guest Room) by Thiru. Tillai Velou

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to recommend the proposal to Puducherry Planning Authority for approval subject to the following conditions:

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- i) The Building Plan parameters shall be in conformity with the existing Town and Country Planning Regulations including the existing norms of Floor Space Index or Floor Area Ratio.
- ii) There should not be any ground water extraction in CRZ areas.
- iii) No untreated waste water shall be discharged in the Coastal Regulation Zone.
- iv) Proper arrangements shall be made for disposal of solid wastes and there shall not be any dumping of solid waste in CRZ areas.
- v) All activities should be in conformity with the provisions of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- vi) The project proponent shall submit bi-annual report on the project progress to PCZMA.
- vii) The project proponent shall obtain necessary clearance from PPCC.

Agenda Item No. 8: Issue of CRZ clearance for CERTH – India

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to recommend the proposal to Puducherry Planning Authority for approval subject to the following conditions:

- i) The Building Plan parameters shall be in conformity with the existing Town and Country Planning Regulations including the existing norms of Floor Space Index or Floor Area Ratio.
- ii) There should not be any ground water extraction in CRZ areas.
- iii) No untreated waste water shall be discharged in the Coastal Regulation Zone.
- iv) Proper arrangements shall be made for disposal of solid wastes and there shall not be any dumping of solid waste in CRZ areas.
- v) All activities should be in conformity with the provisions of the CRZ Notification 2011.
- vi) The project proponent shall submit bi-annual report on the project progress to PCZMA.
- vii) The project proponent shall obtain necessary clearance from PPCC.

General Agenda

Agenda Item No.9: Status Review of implementation of Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 2011 in Puducherry

The Authority was appraised about the action taken in compliance with the decisions taken in the 30th PCZMA meeting held on 10.06.2014. After due deliberation the Authority decided the following:

Sl. No.	Action Point	Decision
1	Demarcation of High Tide Line by engaging the demarcating authorities authorized by the MoEF in accordance with the general guidelines issued at Annexure-I of the Notification.	DST&E shall follow-up with PIA and IRS Anna University and get the PCZMP completed at the earliest.
2	Preparation of Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Plan (PCZMP) by engaging reputed and experienced scientific institutions or the agencies including the National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM) of MoEF and in consultation with the concerned stakeholders including public.	
3	Phasing out of discharge of untreated waste water and effluent in CRZ.	DST&E shall take necessary steps to get the following inventories prepared under the World Bank Funded Climate Change Action Plan Project or the ICZM Project: i) Inventory on waste water / effluent generation, disposal methods, location, quantity and quality of untreated waste water and effluent discharge within the CRZ areas of the U.T. ii) Inventory on total solid waste generation, disposal methods, location, quantity and quality of solid waste dumping within the CRZ areas of the U.T.
4	Phasing out of dumping of city or town solid wastes in CRZ.	
5	MoEF has issued an Office Memorandum dated 24.02.2011 to all the State / UT CZMAs, wherein CZMAs are required to carry out the following: i) To issue Direction under Section 5 of the EP Act, 1986 to all Municipal Bodies, industrial units, Ports, Thermal Power Units, Oil and Gas Exploration, Companies, Coastal Mining Bodies, Owners of the Boat Houses and Aqua Culture Units to stop discharging untreated effluent / disposal of solid wastes in the coastal and marine areas. ii) A comprehensive plan involving reputed scientific institutions shall be prepared for identification for treatment of sewage generated from the coastal towns and cities. The plan shall include treatment facilities and disposal mechanism of the treated effluents. iii) Based on the comprehensive plan which shall be prepared within one year from the date of receipt of the MoEF letter, dated 24.02.2011, the Authority shall implement the plan in phased manner in consultation with stakeholders.	
7	Identification of Violations under CRZ Notification, 1991.	

Agenda Item No. 10: Report on National Strategy for Coastal Erosion – For remarks and comments

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. The Authority noted that a letter has been sent by MS-PCZMA on 02.01.2015 to Chief Engineer - PWD to work out the necessary shoreline management plan and shoreline protection measures in line with the Report on National Strategy for Coastal Erosion and Shoreline Changes Maps prepared by MoEF & CC and in consultation with all the stakeholders including Government of Tamil Nadu officials of the adjoining Tamil Nadu Coast. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to write similar letter to Government of Tamil Nadu requesting them to consult Government of Puducherry on all their shoreline management projects proposed in the neighbouring coastline and to evolve a common shoreline management plan.

Additional Agenda

Agenda Item No. 11: Issue of CRZ Clearance for proposed construction of Five Storied Residential Flats Building with Stilt Floor at R.S. No. 59/3pt., 59/9 & 59/10pt., T.S. No. 32/1 & 32/2, Ward – A, Block No. 15, Marutham Street, Solai Nagar (Mariamman Koil Street), Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to recommend the proposal to Puducherry Planning Authority for approval subject to the following conditions:

- i) The Building Plan parameters shall be in conformity with the existing Town and Country Planning Regulations including the existing norms of Floor Space Index or Floor Area Ratio.
- ii) There should not be any ground water extraction in CRZ areas.
- iii) No untreated waste water shall be discharged in the Coastal Regulation Zone.
- iv) Proper arrangements shall be made for disposal of solid wastes and there shall not be any dumping of solid waste in CRZ areas.
- v) All activities should be in conformity with the provisions of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- vi) The project proponent shall submit bi-annual report on the project progress to PCZMA.
- vii) The project proponent shall obtain necessary clearance from PPCC.

Agenda item No. 12 Issues of CRZ Clearance for additional construction of ground floor show room and first floor office building to the existing three storied building by Sri Aurobindo Ashram Trust

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. The Authority observed that the Building Plans have been directly received from the applicant, which needs to be examined for conformity to Town and Country Planning norms. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to forward the proposal to MS-PPA for comments.

Agenda Item No. 13: CRZ Clearance for the proposed re-roofing of first floor in the existing two storied building (For the inmates of Sri Aurobindo Ashram)

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to return the proposal to Puducherry Planning Authority since power has already been delegated to PPA for such projects vide order dated 8/07/2014 of PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 14: CRZ Clearance for proposed construction of three storeyed building (Guest House / Utility) with basement floor for Ashram Inmates at at R.S. No.239pt, Block-22, Ward 'C', T.S.No.41, Door No. 11, St. Martin Street and Door No. 1, Rangapillai Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. Pradeep Narang

The Authority heard the proposal and discussed the subject in detail. After due deliberation, the Authority resolved to recommend the proposal to Puducherry Planning Authority for approval subject to the following conditions:

- i) The Building Plan parameters shall be in conformity with the existing Town and Country Planning Regulations including the existing norms of Floor Space Index or Floor Area Ratio.
- ii) There should not be any ground water extraction in CRZ areas.
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