

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT
PUDUCHERRY COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Minutes of the 56th Meeting of PCZMA held on 03.06.2026 at 10.30 A.M
in the NIC, Studio – I, Chief Secretariat, Puducherry

The 56th meeting of the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) was held on 03.06.2026 at 10.30 AM under the Chairmanship of Smt. Smitha. R, IAS, Secretary to Government (Science, Technology and Environment) / Chairperson (PCZMA).

The following were present:

1.	Smt. Smitha. R, IAS Secretary to Government (S,T&E) Puducherry.	Chairperson
2.	The Director, Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry. Represented by Thiru. J. Kaviarasan, Deputy Director, Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry.	Member
3.	Chief Town Planner, Town and Country Planning Department, Puducherry. Represented by Thiru. J. Ilango, Town Planning Assistant, Town and Country Planning Department, Puducherry.	Member
4.	Dr. Purvaja Ramachandran Scientist – G National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management, Chennai.	Expert Member (Through VC)
5.	Dr. Tune Usha Scientist – G, National Centre for Coastal Research Chennai.	Expert Member (Through VC)
6.	Thiru. Ashok Panda Co-convenor, Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage, Pondicherry Chapter, Puducherry.	Member (NGO)
7.	The Member Secretary Puducherry Planning Authority Puducherry.	Special Invitee
8.	Smt. Smitha. R, IAS Secretary (S,T&E)-cum-Director (DSTE) Department of Science, Technology & Environment Puducherry.	Member Secretary

All the proposals were placed before the Authority for perusal and the decisions taken during the meeting are as follows:

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 55th Meeting of PCZMA held on 06.11.2025.

The Authority confirmed the Minutes of the 55th Meeting of PCZMA held on 06.11.2025.

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS:

Agenda Item No. 1: Proposed construction of a two storeyed residential building (3 dwelling units) after demolishing the existing two storeyed madras terraced roof building at R.S. No. 239pt, T.S. No. 105, 108, Block No. 20, Ward – D, Door No. 174, 176, H.M. Kasim Salai (Ambur Salai), Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by 1. Mr. Mouhamad Issack S/o Mr. Mouhamad Ally 2. Mrs. Hafsama W/o Mr. Mouhamad Issack.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/562573/2025.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing roads and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 2: Proposed construction of three storied Residential flats (7 Units) building at R.S. No. 61/18pt, T.S. No. 18, Ward – A, Block 19, Plot No. 32pt (North), Main Road, Sapthagiri Garden, Muthialpet, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. A. Selvanathan.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 570294/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing roads and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 3: Existing two storied Residential building (1 Dwelling unit) at R.S. No. 108/22pt, T.S. No. 24/1/A/1&24/1/A/2, Ward – A, Block – 22, No. 54F, Ezhaimariamman Koil Street, Muthialpet, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. D. Krishnakumari.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 569625/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that, as per the provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011, buildings are permissible in CRZ–II areas only on the landward side of an existing road or on the landward side of existing authorized structures that were in existence prior to 19.02.1991.

The Authority further noted that the project proponent had already constructed the building without obtaining the requisite prior approvals from the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA) and the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA). The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, had issued Office Memorandum No. F. No. 19-27/2015-IA.III dated 19.02.2021, prescribing the procedure for dealing with violations arising from the commencement of permissible activities without obtaining prior CRZ clearance under the CRZ Notification, 2011. However, the said Office Memorandum was quashed by the Hon'ble High Court of Madras vide its Order dated 28.08.2024 in W.P.(MD) No. 8866 and connected cases.

In view of the above, the Authority treated the proposal as a CRZ violation.

After detailed deliberations, the Authority resolved to initiate action by issuing directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda Item No. 4: Proposed construction of three storied Residential Building at R.S. No. 239pt, T.S. No. 19/1, Ward – D, Block No. 30, Old Door No. 27, New Door No. 43 – A, Suffren Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. Christian Jean Marie Pelerin.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/535492/2025.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing roads and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.



The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 5: Proposed construction of Two storied Residential Building with stilt floor (2 Dwelling Units) at R.S. No. 239pt, T.S. No. 54, Door No. 4, Ward – C, Block No. 25, Belcombe Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. R. Nirmala W/o. Ravichandiran.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 569967/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing roads and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

COMMERCIAL AND OTHER PROJECTS:

Agenda Item No. 6: Proposed construction of two storeyed Heritage building restoration at R.S. No. 239/pt, T.S. No. 2, Ward – D, Block No. 32, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. Rajarathnam Gerard Jean Paul Anandou Armand.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/531661/2025.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing roads and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.
- ii. Annexure III of the CRZ Notification, 2011, under the *Guidelines for Development of Beach Resorts or Hotels in the Designated Areas of CRZ–II and CRZ–III for Occupation by Tourists or Visitors with Prior Approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India*, stipulates that:
 - (a) Construction of beach resorts or hotels with prior approval of MoEF in designated areas of CRZ-II and III for occupation of tourist or visitors shall be subject to the conditions.
- iii. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, vide its Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022, has clarified that the development of beach resorts or hotels with a built-up area of less than 20,000 sq. m in designated CRZ–II and CRZ–III areas requires standalone CRZ clearance from the Ministry.
- iv. The project proponent has obtained Consent to Establish (CTE) from the Puducherry Pollution Control Committee (PPCC) vide dated 25.11.2025.

After due deliberation the Authority decided to recommended the proposal to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India in compliance with the Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022.



Agenda Item No. 7: Proposed construction of a two storeyed commercial building (1- Shop & Office) at R.S. No. 151/3/A, ECR, Chinnakalapet, Pillaichavady Revenue Village, Oulgaret Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. Saradha.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/560942/2025.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing authorized structures are in existence on the landward side at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 8: Proposed construction of four storied Commercial building (Shop 1 No & 13 Rooms), after demolishing the existing single storied building at R.S. No. 239pt, T.S. No. 34, 35, Block No. 31, Ward D, Door No. 11, Romain Rolland Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. Krishnamoorthy Sivagamisundari.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 567659/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing road and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.
- ii. Annexure III of the CRZ Notification, 2011, under the *Guidelines for Development of Beach Resorts or Hotels in the Designated Areas of CRZ-II and CRZ-III for Occupation by Tourists or Visitors with Prior Approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India*, stipulates that:
 - (a) Construction of beach resorts or hotels with prior approval of MoEF in designated areas of CRZ-II and III for occupation of tourist or visitors shall be subject to the conditions.
- iii. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, vide its Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022, has clarified that the development of beach resorts or hotels with a built-up area of less than 20,000 sq. m in designated CRZ-II and CRZ-III areas requires standalone CRZ clearance from the Ministry.
- iv. The project proponent has obtained Consent to Establish (CTE) from the Puducherry Pollution Control Committee (PPCC) vide dated 19.01.2026.

After due deliberation the Authority decided to recommended the proposal to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India in compliance with the Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022.



Agenda Item No. 9: Proposed Construction of Two Storied Commercial Building at R.S. No. 239(pt), T.S. No. 81, 80 (pt), Ward-D, Block No. 26, H.M. Kasim Salai, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. K. Suresh.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 566905/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing authorized roads and authorized structures are in existence on the landward side at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 10: Proposed construction of Four storied commercial hotel building (12 Rooms) with Stilt floor at R.S. No. 239pt, T.S. No. 105/1/A & 105/1/B, Ward – D, Block No. 25, Door No. 2, Junction of Ambour Salai (HM Kasim Salai) and Candappa Mudaliar Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. S. Latchoumi W/o T. Senthil Murugan.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 571103/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing road and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.
- ii. Annexure III of the CRZ Notification, 2011, under the *Guidelines for Development of Beach Resorts or Hotels in the Designated Areas of CRZ-II and CRZ-III for Occupation by Tourists or Visitors with Prior Approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India*, stipulates that:
 - (a) Construction of beach resorts or hotels with prior approval of MoEF in designated areas of CRZ-II and III for occupation of tourist or visitors shall be subject to the conditions.
- iii. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, vide its Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022, has clarified that the development of beach resorts or hotels with a built-up area of less than 20,000 sq. m in designated CRZ-II and CRZ-III areas requires standalone CRZ clearance from the Ministry.
- iv. The project proponent has obtained Consent to Establish (CTE) from the Puducherry Pollution Control Committee (PPCC) vide dated 16.02.2026.

After due deliberation the Authority decided to recommended the proposal to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India in compliance with the Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022.



Agenda Item No. 11: Proposed construction of three storied commercial building (Guest house building – 6 Rooms) after demolition of existing two storeyed building at R.S. No. 239pt, T.S. No. 40/1, Ward – D, Block – 30, Door No. 29, Romand Rolland Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. Ajay Viramani.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/ 571508/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing road and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.
- ii. Annexure III of the CRZ Notification, 2011, under the *Guidelines for Development of Beach Resorts or Hotels in the Designated Areas of CRZ–II and CRZ–III for Occupation by Tourists or Visitors with Prior Approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India*, stipulates that:
 - (a) Construction of beach resorts or hotels with prior approval of MoEF in designated areas of CRZ-II and III for occupation of tourist or visitors shall be subject to the conditions.
- iii. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, vide its Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022, has clarified that the development of beach resorts or hotels with a built-up area of less than 20,000 sq. m in designated CRZ–II and CRZ–III areas requires standalone CRZ clearance from the Ministry.
- iv. The project proponent has obtained Consent to Establish (CTE) from the Puducherry Pollution Control Committee (PPCC) vide dated 02.02.2026.

After due deliberation the Authority decided to recommended the proposal to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India in compliance with the Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022.

Agenda Item No. 12: Alteration and addition in the existing Two Storied building and proposed additional construction of second floor commercial building to the existing building (Guest House – 6 Rooms) at R.S. No. 239 pt, T.S. No. 2, Ward – D, Block No. 30, Door No. 15, Bazaar Saint Laurant Street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. A. Manjula W/o. T. Annamalai.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/572687/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The proposed site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing road and authorized structures are in existence at the present site and it is a well-developed area.
- ii. Annexure III of the CRZ Notification, 2011, under the *Guidelines for Development of Beach Resorts or Hotels in the Designated Areas of CRZ–II and CRZ–III for Occupation by Tourists or Visitors with Prior Approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India*, stipulates that:
 - (a) Construction of beach resorts or hotels with prior approval of MoEF in designated areas of CRZ-II and III for occupation of tourist or visitors shall be subject to the conditions.
- iii. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, vide its Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022, has clarified that the development of beach resorts or hotels with a built-up area of less than 20,000 sq. m in designated CRZ–II and CRZ–III areas requires standalone CRZ clearance from the Ministry.

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- iv. The project proponent has obtained Consent to Establish (CTE) from the Puducherry Pollution Control Committee (PPCC) vide dated 25.02.2026.

After due deliberation the Authority decided to recommended the proposal to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India in compliance with the Office Memorandum dated 26.04.2022.

GENERAL AGENDA:

Agenda Item No. 13: Construction of Ice Plant in the name of M/s. Mugila Ice Plant and M/s. Risherohan Ice Plant at R.S. No. 41/1pt, T.S. No. 3/1/2/1pt, Ward – M, Block – 07, Mullaiyar River Bund Road, Akkaraivattam Village, Karaikal Municipality, Karaikal.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- The above site falls under CRZ–II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- The said proposal was placed in the 55th meeting of PCZMA held on 06.11.2025. After due deliberation, the Authority decided to **defer** the proposal and to circulate all relevant details to the PCZMA Members for obtaining their views/comments, so as to place the matter in the ensuing PCZMA meeting for further consideration.
- PCZMA forwarded all the necessary documents to the PCZMA members on 21.01.2026 and subsequently sent reminders on 16.02.2026 and 26.02.2026. The details are as follows:

Sl. No.	Reply dated	Received from	Comments
1.	04.02.2026	Dr. Purvaja Ramachandran Scientist-G, NCSCM, Chennai.	- As per Para 8 III (iii)(l) of CRZ Notification, 2011, facilities required for local fishing communities such as fish drying yards, auction halls, net mending yards, traditional boat building yards, ice plant, ice crushing units, fish curing facilities and the like are Permissible activities in the NDZ of CRZ-III. - As per Para 3 (iii) of CRZ Notification, 2011, Setting up and expansion of fish processing units (including warehousing except hatchery and natural fish drying in permitted areas), is a permissible activity. - Further, Communication dated 09.09.2025 from the Town and Country Planning Sub Office, Karaikal, states that PWD, Karaikal has informed inspection track on the southern bank of the Mullaiyar River existed prior to 19.02.1991. - As per the PCZMA, MoEF&CC letter dated 22.04.2025 stated that establishment of an ice plant is a permissible activity, subject to obtaining necessary clearance/NOC from the competent authority. - The PCZMA has noted that the Ice Plant sites are in CRZ-II area and there is no

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			pre-existing road or authorized structure which existed nearer to the sites prior to 1991. - In view of the above, observations on the subject is given below for kind consideration of the Authority. - Construction of Ice Plant in the name of M/s. Mugila Ice Plant and M/s. Risherohan Ice Plant at R.S. No. 41/1pt, T.S.No.3/1/2/1pt, Ward – M, Block – 07, Mullaiyar River Bund Road, Akkaraivattam Village, Karaikal Municipality, Karaikal, <u>may not be permitted</u> since the PCZMA has noted that the Ice Plant sites are in CRZ-II area and there is no pre-existing road or authorised structure which existed nearer to the sites prior to 1991. A request may please be sent to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for further clarity on the matter.
2.	26.02.2026	Dr. Tune Usha Scientist – G, NCCR, Chennai.	Concur with the Comments /Suggestions of Dr. Purvaja Ramachandran, NCSCM.

After due deliberation, the Authority decided that the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) shall convene an internal meeting with its Expert Members to examine the proposal in detail. Simultaneously, comments and clarifications shall be sought from the Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare to facilitate a comprehensive assessment of the proposal and enable informed decision-making by the Authority.

Agenda Item No. 14: Comments on Utilization of dredged sand deposited at the Port premises at Vambakeerapalayam and Veerampattinam, Puducherry.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the utilization of dredged sand generated from maintenance dredging activities at the Puducherry Port are for beach nourishment along the Puducherry coast for the following reasons:

- i. **Sediment Management and Resource Utilization:** Maintenance dredging carried out at the port generates a significant quantity of sand and sediments. Utilizing this dredged sand for beach nourishment ensures beneficial reuse of dredged material, thereby reducing the need for offshore disposal and promoting sustainable sediment management.
- ii. **Shoreline Stabilization:** The coastal stretch of Kalapet regions and nearby areas experiences shoreline erosion due to wave action, littoral drift, and coastal processes. Placement of compatible dredged sand along the eroding shoreline helps restore the natural beach profile and improve coastal stability.
- iii. **Eco-friendly Coastal Protection Measure:** Beach nourishment is considered a soft engineering solution compared to hard structures such as seawalls and groynes. Replenishing the beach with dredged sand helps dissipate wave energy naturally and maintain the sediment balance of the coastal system.
- iv. **Cost-effective and Sustainable Approach:** Transporting dredged sand from the port to nearby erosion-prone beaches is economically viable and minimizes the cost associated with offshore dumping or sourcing sand from other locations.

- v. **Enhancement of Coastal Resilience:** Periodic nourishment using dredged sand helps maintain adequate beach width, thereby providing protection against coastal erosion, storm surges, and sea-level rise while supporting recreational and ecological functions of the beach.

After due deliberation, the Authority decided that the utilization of dredged sand deposited at the Port premises located at Vambakeerapalayam and Veerampattinam, Puducherry, shall be undertaken only after obtaining the requisite approval/clearance from the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA), wherever applicable.

The Authority further stipulated that the dredged sand shall be utilized solely for beach nourishment and shoreline stabilization measures intended to mitigate coastal erosion along the identified vulnerable coastal stretches. Utilization of the dredged material for any purpose other than those specifically approved for beach nourishment and coastal protection shall be as per the Guidelines issued by MoEF&CC & Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways from time to time. This shall be strictly complied.

Agenda Item No. 15: Proposed construction of two storeyed Residential Building at R.S. No. 183/15Bpt, T.S. No. 50, Ward – L, Block No. 4, Oduthurai Village, Karaikal Municipality, Karaikal by Tmt. Oummahanima.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The project proponent has already completed the construction of the building without obtaining the requisite prior clearance under the applicable provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011.
- ii. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, had issued Office Memorandum No. F. No. 19-27/2015-IA.III dated 19.02.2021, prescribing the procedure for dealing with violations arising from the commencement of permissible activities without obtaining prior CRZ clearance under the CRZ Notification, 2011. However, the said Office Memorandum was quashed by the Hon'ble High Court of Madras vide its Order dated 28.08.2024 in W.P.(MD) No. 8866 and connected cases.
- iii. In view of the above, the provisions relating to the grant of post facto CRZ clearance are not applicable in the present case. Accordingly, the building is liable to be treated as a violation under the provisions of the CRZ Notification, 2011.
- iv. The Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA), vide its Direction dated 19.11.2025, directed the removal of all unauthorized structures constructed within the CRZ-II area, namely within 100 metres of the High Tide Line (HTL) of the Arasalar River, a tidally influenced water body, as delineated in the approved Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under the CRZ Notification, 2011. The Direction further stipulated that the affected area shall be restored to its original condition.
- v. Subsequently, communications dated 05.12.2025 and 11.12.2025 were received from the project proponent requesting reconsideration of the matter and seeking post facto clearance from the CRZ perspective.

After due deliberation the Authority decided that necessary communication shall be sent to the Regional Coastal Zone Management Committee (RCZMC), Karaikal to comply the PCZMA direction and submit the Action Taken Report (ATR) to PCZMA.



Agenda Item No. 16: Court Cases before the Hon'ble High Court and Hon'ble National Green Tribunals.

The Authority heard and took note of the status of the court cases and related legal proceedings.

After due deliberation, the Authority decided that the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) shall strictly comply with the orders and directions issued by the Hon'ble Courts and the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) within the prescribed timelines. The Authority further directed that compliance reports, wherever required, shall be submitted promptly to the concerned judicial and statutory authorities to ensure timely and effective compliance with such orders.

Agenda Item No. 17: Ratification of proposal for proposed construction of Two storeyed Commercial-cum-Residential building with stilt floor (2 Shop and 1 Dwelling unit) after demolishing the existing single storeyed building at R.S. No. 239/pt, T.S. No. 121/1, Block No. 24, Ward C, New Door No. 38 (Old Door No. 34), Dupuy street, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. S. Shalini.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The proposal was placed before the Authority in its 55th Meeting held on 06.11.2025, wherein it was recommended to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions stipulated by the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA).
- ii. Subsequently, it was observed that the project was inadvertently described as a *three-storeyed commercial-cum-residential building* in certain application documents submitted through the Parivesh 2.0 portal.
- iii. However, the approved Building Plan, Estimation Certificate, CRZ Map, and the CRZ Report prepared by the Institute of Remote Sensing (IRS), Chennai, consistently indicate that the proposal pertains to a *two-storeyed commercial-cum-residential building with a stilt floor*.
- iv. The project proponent furnished a clarification vide communication dated 22.05.2026, explaining that the discrepancy arose due to an inadvertent error in the project description uploaded in the application.

After due deliberation, the Authority approved that the communication issued by the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) on 05.03.2026, referring to the project as a *two-storeyed commercial-cum-residential building*, shall be treated as a corrigendum to rectify the inadvertent reference to a *three-storeyed commercial-cum-residential building* in the application documents.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA:

Agenda Item No. 18: Views/opinion from CRZ angle for existing Double storeyed Residential Building, S.T & S.P at R.S. No. 36/12A, Mahe, at Mahe Municipality, Mahe by Tmt. Choriya Fouziya.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that, as per the provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011, buildings are permissible in CRZ-II areas only on the landward side of an existing road or on the landward side of existing authorized structures that were in existence prior to 19.02.1991.

The Authority further noted that the project proponent had already constructed the building without obtaining the requisite prior approvals from the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA) and the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA). The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, had issued Office Memorandum

No. F. No. 19-27/2015-IA.III dated 19.02.2021, prescribing the procedure for dealing with violations arising from the commencement of permissible activities without obtaining prior CRZ clearance under the CRZ Notification, 2011. However, the said Office Memorandum was quashed by the Hon'ble High Court of Madras vide its Order dated 28.08.2024 in W.P.(MD) No. 8866 and connected cases.

In view of the above, the Authority treated the proposal as a CRZ violation.

After detailed deliberations, the Authority resolved to initiate action by issuing directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda Item No. 19: Views/opinion from CRZ angle for existing Double storeyed Commercial Building, S.T & S.P at R.S. No. 36/12, Mahe, at Mahe Municipality, Mahe by Tmt. Choriath Fouziya.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that, as per the provisions of the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011, buildings are permissible in CRZ-II areas only on the landward side of an existing road or on the landward side of existing authorized structures that were in existence prior to 19.02.1991.

The Authority further noted that the project proponent had already constructed the building without obtaining the requisite prior approvals from the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA) and the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA). The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, had issued Office Memorandum No. F. No. 19-27/2015-IA.III dated 19.02.2021, prescribing the procedure for dealing with violations arising from the commencement of permissible activities without obtaining prior CRZ clearance under the CRZ Notification, 2011. However, the said Office Memorandum was quashed by the Hon'ble High Court of Madras vide its Order dated 28.08.2024 in W.P.(MD) No. 8866 and connected cases.

In view of the above, the Authority treated the proposal as a CRZ violation.

After detailed deliberations, the Authority resolved to initiate action by issuing directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda Item No. 20: Proposed Construction of Double Storeyed Residential (1 Dwelling unit) Building at R.S No. 27/9, T.S No. 5/1/B/1/A/9, Ward – A, Block No. 21 in 1st Cross Street, Xavier Arokiyanathan Nagar, (Perumal Koil Street), Muthialpet, Puducherry Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. Dhatchayani.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/579046/2026

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing road and authorized structures are in existence on the landward side at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.



Agenda Item No. 21: Proposed construction of two storeyed Commercial building (1-Shop)-cum-residential (1 – Dwelling unit) at R.S. No. 151/3/A, ECR, Chinnakalapet, Pillaichavady Revenue Village, Oulgaret Municipality, Puducherry by Tmt. P. Elavarasi.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/576925/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., pre-existing authorized structures are in existence on the landward side at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 22: Proposed construction of Marriage Hall at R.S. No. 44/2, T.S. No. 22/2, Ward M, Block No. 3, Villianur Main Road, Murugapakkam Revenue Village, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry by Thiru. G. Rajathuraivan.

Parivesh 2.0 Proposal No.: IA/PY/CRZ/579964/2026.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted that the proposed site falls under CRZ-II as per the existing Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) prepared under Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2011 and complies with Clause 8. II. CRZ – II (i) of the CRZ Notification, 2011, i.e., a pre-existing road is in existence on the landward side at the present site and it is a well-developed area.

The Authority after due deliberation **recommended the proposal** to the Puducherry Planning Authority (PPA), subject to the conditions as stipulated by PCZMA.

Agenda Item No. 23: Preparation of Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) for the Mahe and Yanam regions under the CRZ Notification, 2019.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. The draft Coastal Zone Management Plans (CZMPs) for the Mahe and Yanam regions, prepared under the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification, 2019, were placed before the 21st Meeting of the Technical Scrutiny Committee (TSC) held on 15.04.2026 for consideration and approval.
- ii. The TSC, after examination of the draft CZMPs, recommended that the plans be updated by incorporating the additional details and features required in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT). The final updated draft CZMPs for the Mahe and Yanam regions be submitted by the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) to the National Coastal Zone Management Authority (NCZMA), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, for further consideration and approval.
- iii. PCZMA had forwarded the additional datasets pertaining to the Mahe and Yanam regions, received from the Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare and the Department of Tourism, to the National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM) for incorporation into the CZMPs. Accordingly, NCSCM revised the CZMPs based on the additional information furnished and submitted the updated CZMPs for the Mahe and Yanam regions on 02.06.2026.

After detailed deliberations, the Authority resolved to recommend the updated Coastal Zone Management Plans (CZMPs) for the Mahe and Yanam regions, prepared under the CRZ Notification, 2019, to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, for final approval.



Agenda Item No. 24: Proposal for the "Establishment of Biological & Bio-Mechanical Conservation of Mangrove Area in Mahe Region, U.T. of Puducherry" under the Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes (MISHTI).

The Authority noted that the Agenda Item was inadvertently numbered as Item No. 25 in the agenda and that the same was corrected and treated as Agenda Item No. 24.

The Authority heard the proposal and noted the following:

- i. Project titled "Establishment of Biological and Bio-Mechanical Conservation of Mangrove Area in Mahe Region, U.T. of Puducherry", proposed under the Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats and Tangible Incomes (MISHTI) scheme, had been received from the Department of Forest and Wildlife, Government of Puducherry.
- ii. The Department of Forest and Wildlife had requested the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) to examine and vet the proposal from the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) perspective.
- iii. Accordingly, PCZMA forwarded the project details to its Expert Members on 02.06.2026 for their comments and suggestions.

After due deliberation, the Authority decided that the comments and observations received from the Expert Members shall be consolidated by the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority (PCZMA) and communicated to the Department of Forest and Wildlife for taking further necessary action in the matter.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



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