## F. No. IA3-2/11/2021-IA.III Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change IA-III Division (CRZ)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Jor Bagh Road New Delhi-110003 Dated: 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2022

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Action on violations of the provisions of Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notifications, by Coastal States / UTs under the provisions of Environment Protection Act, 1986 – regarding.

The Central Government has issued Coastal Regulation Zone Notification (2011/2019) with a view to conserve and protect the unique environment of coastal stretches and marine areas, besides livelihood security to the fisher communities and other local communities in the coastal areas and to promote sustainable development based on scientific principles taking into account the dangers of natural hazards, sea level rise due to global warming.

- 2. Further, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government constitutes Coastal Zone Management Authorities (CZMAs) in States / UTs *inter-alia* for enforcing and monitoring the provisions of the CRZ Notification. The CZMAs have been authorised to inquire into cases of violation of the provisions of the said notification *suo-moto*, or on the basis of a complaint made by any individual or body or organisation and take appropriate action under the relevant provisions of the said Act.
- 3. In view of above, all State / UT CZMAs are hereby directed to ensure that the directions issued under the CRZ Notification (2011/2019) are enforced in letter and spirit and all necessary actions, as appropriate, are taken against any violation of the provisions of the said notification. In this regard, it is also requested to submit detailed report on the action taken against such violations at the earliest.
- This issues with approval of the Competent Authority.

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To,

1. The Member Secretary, All the Coastal State's /UT's

(As per List)