

**GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY**  
**CHIEF SECRETARIAT (ENVIRONMENT)**

(G.O.Ms. No. 26 /2014/Env. dt. 8.12.2014)

**NOTIFICATION**

Whereas, the Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), Government of India, New Delhi in exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (V) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) had declared coastal stretches as Coastal Regulation Zone and imposed restrictions on industries, operations and processes in the coastal areas, vide Notification published in S.O.19(E) dated 6.1.2011.

And whereas, the MoEF published the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification with a view to ensure livelihood security to the fishermen communities and other local communities living in the coastal areas, to conserve and protect coastal areas, its unique environment and its marine area and to promote development through sustainable manner.

And whereas, as per the provision 6 (c) of CRZ Notification, 2011, the State Government or the Union Territory Coastal Zone Management Authority shall be primarily responsible for enforcing and monitoring of the CRZ Notification, 2011 and to assist in this task, the State Government and Union Territory shall constitute a District Level Committee under the Chairmanship of the District Magistrate concerned consisting of three representatives of local traditional Coastal Communities including fisher folk.

And whereas, geographically, Union Territory of Puducherry consists of four different regions located far away from each other namely Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam, Government of Puducherry considers it necessary and proper to constitute a Regional Coastal Zone Management Committees in each of the four regions of the Union Territory for the purpose of implementation and enforcement of provisions of CRZ Notification in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

Now therefore, in pursuance of the provision 6(c) of CRZ Notification, 2011, the Government of Union Territory of Puducherry hereby constitutes the following Regional Coastal Zone Management Committees in Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam Regions, as follows:

**For Puducherry Region**

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|-------|---|---|------------------|
| i)    | District Magistrate / District Collector  | - | Chairman         |
| ii)   | Superintendent of Police (HQ)   | - | Member           |
| iii)  | Dy. Director (Forests)  | - | Member           |
| iv)   | Dy. Director (Welfare) - Fisheries  | - | Member           |
| v)    | Commissioners of Coastal Municipalities and Panchayats - Puducherry and Oulgaret Municipalities, and Ariyankuppam and Bahour Commune Panchayats | - | Member           |
| vi)   | Member Secretary, Puducherry Planning Authority   | - | Member           |
| vii)  | Representative of Traditional Coastal Communities including fisher folk (3 members) - to be nominated by District Collector                     | - | Member           |
| viii) | Two eminent expert in the coastal issues to be nominated by the Government  | - | Member           |
| ix)   | Puducherry Pollution Control Committee officer incharge of Puducherry   | - | Member Secretary |



**For Karaikal Region**

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|-------|---|---|------------------|
| i)    | District Magistrate / District Collector  | - | Chairman         |
| ii)   | Superintendent of Police  | - | Member           |
| iii)  | Addl. Director (Agriculture) - incharge of Forests  | - | Member           |
| iv)   | Dy. Director (Fisheries)  | - | Member           |
| v)    | Commissioners of Coastal Municipalities and Panchayats - Karaikal Municipality and Kottucherry, Neravy and T.R. Pattinam Commune Panchayats | - | Member           |
| vi)   | Member Secretary of Karaikal Planning Authority   | - | Member           |
| vii)  | Representative of Traditional Coastal Communities including fisher folk (3 members) - to be nominated by District Collector                 | - | Member           |
| viii) | Two eminent expert in the coastal issues to be nominated by the Government  | - | Member           |
| ix)   | Puducherry Pollution Control Committee officer incharge of Karaikal   | - | Member Secretary |

**For Mahe Region**

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|-------|---|---|------------------|
| i)    | Regional Administrator - cum - Deputy Collector   | - | Chairman         |
| ii)   | Superintendent of Police  | - | Member           |
| iii)  | Dy. Director (Agriculture) - incharge of Forests  | - | Member           |
| iv)   | Asst. Director - Fisheries  | - | Member           |
| v)    | Municipal Commissioner  | - | Member           |
| vi)   | Member Secretary, Mahe Planning Authority   | - | Member           |
| vii)  | Representative of Traditional Coastal Communities including fisher folk (3 members) - to be nominated by Regional Administrator | - | Member           |
| viii) | Two eminent expert in the coastal issues to be nominated by the Government  | - | Member           |
| ix)   | Puducherry Pollution Control Committee officer incharge of Mahe   | - | Member Secretary |

**For Yanam Region**

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|-------|---|---|------------------|
| i)    | Regional Administrator - cum - Deputy Collector   | - | Chairman         |
| ii)   | Superintendent of Police  | - | Member           |
| iii)  | Dy. Director (Agriculture)- incharge of Forests   | - | Member           |
| iv)   | Asst. Director - Fisheries  | - | Member           |
| v)    | Municipal Commissioner  | - | Member           |
| vi)   | Member Secretary, Yanam Planning Authority  | - | Member           |
| vii)  | Representative of Traditional Coastal Communities including fisher folk (3 members) - to be nominated by Regional Administrator | - | Member           |
| viii) | Two eminent expert in the coastal issues to be nominated by the Government  | - | Member           |
| ix)   | Puducherry Pollution Control Committee officer incharge of Yanam  | - | Member Secretary |



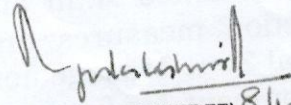
**Powers and functions of the Regional Committees:**

1. The Committee shall have the powers to take measures for protecting and improving the quality of the coastal environment and for preventing, abating and controlling environmental pollution in the coastal areas of the concerned region.
2. The Committee shall take time bound steps for identification of violations of the provision of CRZ Notification 1991 and 2011 and the approved CZMP thereunder, for initiation of action under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
3. The Committee shall identify violation in CRZ areas within their respective jurisdiction and initiate action under section 19 of the Environment (Protection) Act 1986, under the powers delegated to District Collector under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 in the respective jurisdiction or refer such cases to Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority for issuing directions under Section 5 of The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 or initiate action under any other law which is relatable to the objects of the CRZ Notification.
4. The Committee shall send monthly report on the details of the identified violations including action taken to the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority.
5. The Committee shall be responsible for removal of encroachments and unauthorized structures in CRZ areas, and if necessary, the District Collector / Regional Administrator being the Chairman of the Committee shall use powers as vested in him to levy penalty or to recover cost from unauthorized constructions.
6. The Committee shall also identify the areas which need special conservation and protection measures under its jurisdiction and recommend it to the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority and the Department of Science, Technology and Environment for further necessary action. If required the committee may consult or obtain opinion of Expert agencies, Institutes, Universities etc. in the field in this regard.
7. The Committee shall also monitor compliance of the conditions stipulated in the Clearances accorded under the provisions of Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 2011 to the Projects and submit the details in the monthly report to the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority.
8. The Member Secretary of the Committee will be responsible for maintaining all records of the Committee.
9. The Committee will also take on priority the issues/complaints of coastal communities including fisherman and if desires so, may recommend the matter to the concerned department in the State Government for appropriate action.
10. The Committee shall undertake review of cases involving violation of the provisions of the said Act and the rules made thereunder or under any other law which are related to the objects of the said Act, and if found necessary may refer such cases, with comments, for review to the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority.
11. The Committee Shall take up cases suo motu or on the basis of complaints made by an individual or representative body or through news paper report or thorough PCZMA or an organization or any member of the Committee. The Committee may refer cases to the concerned authorities/departments in the region for appropriate legal action, if needed. Committee shall submit its action taken report on complaints to Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority every month.
12. The Committee shall identify ecological Sensitive areas in the CRZ and formulate area specific management plan for such identified areas for onward recommendation to state Government.
13. Any matter specifically not falling within the scope and jurisdiction of the Committee as so constituted shall be dealt with by the statutory authorities concerned at the regional level.
14. Regional Police authorities will assist the Committee to help in removing encroachment, unauthorized and illegal structures from coastal regulation zone areas.
15. The materials and assets forfeited and confiscated from the site of violation can be kept in custody of forest department or police department as concerned in the matter.



16. Any appeal against the decision of the Regional Committee shall be preferred to the Chairman of the Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority.
17. Regional Committee will provide all assistance and will co-ordinate in preparing Coastal Zone Management Plan of the region and mapping of hazard line in the coastal areas as per the directions of the U.T. and Central Government.
18. Regional Coastal Zone Management Committees shall meet at least once in three months to review the compliance of the complaints and other tasks entrusted to the Committee. The Member Secretary of the committee shall organize the meeting regularly.
19. Minutes of the meeting shall be sent to Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority immediately.
20. Puducherry Coastal Zone Management Authority shall publish all the minutes, reports and recommendations of the Regional Coastal Zone Management Committees in its website on monthly basis.

// By order of the Lieutenant-Governor//



(P. RAJALAKSHMI) 8/12/14

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To

- ✓ 1. The Members Concerned.
- 2. The Director, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Puducherry.

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