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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(IA Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110003

Dated: 24th July, 2024

## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Sub: Inclusion of condition in all Environmental Clearance letters (ECs) with regard to the tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" – reg.

Ministry from time to time has issued the standard Environmental Clearance conditions for expediting the process of Environmental Clearance without compromising environmental norms and the rigor of environment impact assessment.

- 2. In most cases where applicable, one of the standard Environmental Clearance condition prescribed, pertains to development of Green Belt in an area equal to 33% of the project area in accordance with CPCB guidelines. Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has launched 'एक पेड़ माँ के नाम" (Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam) /Plant4Mother Campaign on the occasion of World Environment Day 2024 by planting a Peepal tree at Buddha Jayanti Park in Delhi. Drawing a parallel between the nurturing of nature by Mother Earth and the nurturing of human lives by our mothers, Hon'ble Prime Minister exhorted people across the world to plant a tree as a mark of love, respect and honour for their own Mother and to also take a pledge for protecting trees and Mother Earth.
- 3. In this context, in order to give impetus to the aforesaid campaign titled "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam", it is hereby directed that a condition may be included in the ECs stating that plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked 33% greenbelt area as a part of the tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- 4. This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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To

- 1. Chairman of all the Expert Appraisal Committees
- 2. Chairperson/Member Secretaries of all the SEIAAs/SEACs

- 3. Chairpersons/Member Secretaries of all SPCBs/UTPCCs
- 4. All the Officers of I.A. Division

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- 1. PS to Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- 2. PS to Hon'ble MoS (EF&CC)
- 3. PPS to Secretary (EF&CC)
- 4. PPS to DGF&SS (EF&CC)
- 5. PPS to AS(TK)/PPS to JS (SKB)
- 6. Website, MoEF&CC/Guard file.

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