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

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Dated: 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2022

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Clarification on preparation of revised EIA/EMP report as per the provisions of Office Memorandum dated 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 - regarding**

Reference is invited to this Ministry's Office Memorandum (OM) dated 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022 regarding guidelines for granting Environmental Clearance (EC) under para 7(ii)(a) of EIA Notification, 2006, for expansion up to 50%, within the existing premises/mine lease area, without additional land acquisition.


2. In the above mentioned OM, Public Hearing is exempted for expansion up to 50% in stages subject to the project proponent applying on PARIVESH portal in the requisite form under para 7(ii) of the EIA Notification 2006 along with revised EIA/EMP report prepared based on standard ToRs. Further for expansion from 40% to 50% Public Consultation report, as per para 7 III (ii) (b) of EIA Notification 2006, needs to be submitted in addition to the above.

3. In this context, there have been requests for clarification with regard to the procedure to be followed for preparing revised EIA/EMP report for meeting the requirement for expansion as per the provisions of the OM dated 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

4. The matter has been examined in the Ministry. In order to avoid undue delay in obtaining requisite clearance and to ensure that due environmental safeguards are in place, it is hereby clarified that the revised EIA/EMP report based on standard ToRs, may be prepared for a maximum of 50% expansion of the original EC capacity for which public hearing has been held, in order to avail the benefit of the above-said OM dated 11<sup>th</sup> April 2022. However, the EC shall be granted in phases of 20%, 40% and 50% capacity expansion, based on the above mentioned revised EIA/EMP report, subject to submission of Certified Compliance Reports for ECs granted at each stage.

5. The project proponent shall not be required to prepare revised EIA/EMP report for each expansion phase, if the initial revised EIA/EMP report was prepared for the proposed higher capacity or maximum 50% capacity expansion, whichever is applicable.

6. This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

  
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To

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