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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Impact Assessment Division

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Dated: 18th June, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub.: Clarification for carrying out the mining of minerals including overburden and dump mining as per the provisions of the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 as amended from time to time-regarding

Please refer the communication of Department of Mines and Geology, Govt. of Rajasthan, vide Circular No. Karmank/Nide/P-2/Kas/Niyam/2017/393 dated 01.05.2018 which *inter-alia* has instructed to all concerned that no Special Permit/STP will be issued to transport the overburden until a clear cut guideline is issued by the MoEFCC.

2. The matter has been examined in the Ministry and it is submitted that mining projects including dump mining, overburden mining etc. do require the prior Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006. **Therefore it is clarified that as per the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006, the mining projects stated in the schedule require prior environmental clearance irrespective of the size of the mine lease area and type of mineral including overburden and dump mining.**

3. This issue with the approval of Competent Authority.


(Surendra Kumar)
Adviser

To,

- 1). The Chairman of all the SEAC/SEIAA of States/UTs
- 2). The Member Secretary of all the SEAC/SEIAA of States/UTs
- 3). The Principal Secretary, Mines and Geology, all States/UTs
- 4). The Member Secretary, all SPCBs/PCCs
- 5). The Secretary, Department of Mines & Geology, Government of Rajasthan, Secretariat, Jaipur, Rajasthan (w.r.t. Circular no. Karmank/Nide/P-2/Kas/Niyam/ 2017/393, dated 01.05.2018)
- 6). All Regional offices of the MoEFCC

Copy for information to:-

- 1). PS to Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- 2). PS to Hon'ble MOS for Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- 3). PPS to Secretary (EF&CC)
- 4). PPS to AS (AKJ)/AS(AKM)
- 5). PS to JS(GB)/JS(JT)
- 6). All officers in IA Division
- 7). Guard File
- 8). MoEF&CC website


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