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Government of India  
Ministry of Environment and Forests  
IA Division

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Dated the 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2014

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Exemption from Public Consultation for the projects/ activities located within the Industrial Estates/ Parks.**

The undersigned is directed to inform that on the above mentioned subject, the following is clarified by the Ministry of Environment and Forests:

- (i) The exemption from public consultation, as provided for under para 7(i) III.Stage(3)(i)(b) of EIA Notification, 2006 is only available to the projects or activities located within the industrial estates or parks, which have obtained prior environmental clearance under EIA Notification, 2006, as provided for under item 7(c) of the Schedule.
- (ii) The expression 'concerned authorities' as stated in the aforesaid para of EIA Notification, 2006 implies the competent authorities in the State Governments/ Central Government, which approve setting-up of such industrial estates or parks.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

  
**(Dr. Satish C. Garkoti)**  
Director

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