

Proceedings of the meeting of the committee constituted by the State Government for demarcation of CRZ-II areas

(April 25, 2000)

The State Government vide notification No.3430, dtd.15.12.99 have constituted a committee under the chalmanshp of Chief Secretary In pursuance of provisions made In the letter No.J-17011/11/92-IA-III, dtd.27.9.1996 of Government of India, In the Ministry of Environment & Forests(MOEF), to identify and demarcate CRZ-II areas within the proposed CRZ-II areas. The first meeting of this committee was held on 25.4.2000. List of participants given in the annexure.

1. It was noted that Government had originally proposed to categorise Gopalpur Port, Balugaon, Rambha, Puri, Chandrabhaga (Konark), Paradeep (NAC and Masterplan area) and Chandipur as CRZ-II. MOEF In their above letter dtd.27.9.96, conveying the approval of Coastal Zone Management Plan of Orissa had made the following stipulations.

- (i) Urban areas of Konark and Balasore (Chandipur) are classified as CRZ-III;
- (ii) Urban area of Gopalpur, Ward No.1 to 11 are classified as CRZ-II;
- (iii) Paradeep municipal area, 4 wards are classified as CRZ-II. Other areas within Paradeep Municipal area, except Paradeep Port area, are categorized as CRZ-III and
- (iv) A committee be set up under the chalmanship of Chief Secretary with at least two NGOs as member to identify and demarcate CRZ-II areas within the proposed CRZ-II areas of Puri, Gopalpur Port area, Balugaon NAC, Rambha NAC and Paradeep port area.

2. Accordingly, the committee perused all relevant information, maps, present land use pattern in respect of the above 5 towns and had taken the following decisions.

- (a) The CRZ portion of Puri urban area defined within the boundaries of Sri Jagannath Sanskrit University, in the East and Mangala river on the West is to be categorized as CRZ-II. Existing plantation areas in the Government land are to be protected at the planning stage.

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- (b) With regard to other four towns, viz., Gopalpur Port area, Balugaon NAC, Rambha NAC and Paradeep port area the committee agreed in principle that these are to be categorized as CRZ-II. However, the exact demarcation of the CRZ-II areas conforming to the prescribed criteria and to identify CRZ-I or III as applicable in the remaining areas, if any, will be made after a field visit by the members of the committee.

ANNEXURE

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

1. Sri H.S.Chahar, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, F&E Dept.
2. Sri S. Sethi, Addl.Secretary to Govt., H&UD Department.
3. Sri C.J.Mishra, Director, Town Planning, Orissa.
4. Dr. S.N.Patro, Secretary, Orissa Environment Society, 9BSR.
5. Sri J. Bastia, President, Beach Protection Council, Orissa, Puri.
6. Dr. L.N.Patnalk, Director, Environment, F&E(Env)Dept.
7. Shri D. P. Pati, Chief Construction Engineer, Gopalpur Port Project as Special Invitee.

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