F.No. 22-23/2018-IA.III Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (IA Division)

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Dated: 13th March, 2020

To,

Chairperson/Member Secretaries of all the SEIAAs/SEACs

Subject: Building and Construction projects or activities proposed in Critically Polluted Areas or Severely Polluted Areas at the respective SEIAA/SEAC - regarding.

In continuation to the Office Memorandum of even number dated 31st October, 2019, and 30th December, 2019 it is informed that the directions issued vide OM No. J-11013/5/2010-IA.II(I), 24th May, 2011, shall continue to be operative and therefore Building and Construction projects (item 8(a) of the Schedule of EIA Notification, 2006) and Townships and Area Development Projects (item 8(b) of the Schedule of EIA Notification, 2006) proposed in Critically Polluted Areas or Severely Polluted Areas, would continue to be appraised at the respective SEIAA/SEAC. However, respective SEIAA/SEAC, after due diligence, shall prescribe additional conditions as incorporated in the mechanism provided in OM dated 31/10/2019 while granting EC.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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Encl: Copy of OM No. J-11013/5/2010-IA.II(I) dated 24th May, 2011 Copy to:

- 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 AS (RSP)/AS(RA)
- 5. PPS to JS (GM)/JS(SKB)/JS(AKN)
- 6. Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).
- 7. Chairman of all the Expert Appraisal Committees
- 8. All the Officers of I.A. Division
- 9. Chairpersons/Member Secretaries of all SPCBs/UTPCCs

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