

3. का.आ. 695(अ), तारीख 4 अप्रैल, 2011;
4. का.आ. 2896 (अ), तारीख 13 दिसम्बर, 2012; और
5. का.आ. 674(अ), तारीख 13 मार्च, 2013

**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 9th September, 2013

S.O. 2731(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (v) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) read with sub-rule (4) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby makes the following further amendment to the notification of the Government of India, in the Ministry of Environment and Forests number S.O. 1533(E), dated 14th September, 2006 after having dispensed with the requirement of notice under clause (a) of sub-rule (3) of the said rule 5 in public interest, namely:—

In the said notification, in the Schedule, for item 1(a) and entries relating thereto, the following item and entries shall be substituted, namely:—

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1(a)	(i) Mining of minerals.	<p>≥50 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease.</p> <p>>150 ha of mining lease area in respect of coal mine lease.</p> <p>Asbestos mining irrespective of mining area.</p>	<p><50 ha of mining lease area in respect of minor minerals mine lease; and</p> <p>≤ 50 ha ≥5 ha of mining lease area in respect of other non-coal mine lease.</p> <p>≤ 150 ha >5 ha of mining-lease area in respect of coal mine lease.</p>	<p>General Conditions shall apply except for project or activity of less than 5 ha of mining lease area for minor minerals.</p> <p>Provided that the above exception shall not apply for project or activity if the sum total of the mining lease area of the said project or activity and that of existing operating mines and mining projects which were accorded environment clearance and are located within 500 metres from the periphery of such project or activity equals or exceeds 5 ha.</p> <p>Note: (i) Prior environmental clearance is required at the stage of renewal of mine lease for which an application shall be made up to two years prior to the date due for renewal. Further, a period of two years with effect from the 4th April, 2011 is provided for obtaining environmental clearance for all those mine leases, which were operating as on the 4th April, 2011 with requisite valid environmental clearance and which have fallen due for renewal on or after 4th November, 2011.</p> <p>Provided that no fresh environmental clearance shall be required for a mining project or activity at the time of renewal of mining lease, which has already obtained</p>

	(ii) Slurry pipelines (coal lignite and other ores) passing through national parks or sanctuaries or coral reefs, ecologically sensitive areas.	All projects.		environmental clearance under this notification. (ii) Mineral prospecting is exempted."
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AJAY TYAGI, J. Secy.

Note: The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) vide notification number S.O. 1533(E), dated the 14th September, 2006 and subsequently amended as follows:-

1. S.O. 1737 (E) dated the 11th October, 2007;
2. S.O. 3067 (E) dated the 1st December, 2009;
3. S. O. 695 (E) dated the 4th April, 2011;
4. S.O. 2896 (E) dated the 13th December, 2012; and
5. S.O. 674 (E) dated the 13th March, 2013.