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CIRCULAR

Sub: - Restriction for establishments near reservoirs- Reg.

Ref:- This office circular no. PCB/HO/SEE-3/TECH/83/2019 dated 07.04.2021

Circular was issued vide reference cited enforcing restrictions on issue of consent for establishment of hotels, resorts, residential apartments within 200m of maximum water level. The said circular was issued based on the contention that such activities will lead to siltation, encroachment and contamination of the water in the reservoir. However, some of the Board officers in the review meeting of the Board officers held on 19.11.2022 expressed that this restriction is creating unnecessary hurdles in the tourism sector as consent could not be issued for such activities as 200m is too large and that the distance criteria needs to be revised.

Accordingly, the circular referred is hereby withdrawn. ICE may be issued in such cases based on the following:

- The District Office is convinced (based on the nature & size of the project and site conditions) that the distance proposed by the project proponent and marked in the site plan accordingly is sufficient enough to ensure that siltation or contamination of reservoir water do not occur both during the construction and the operational phase of the project.
- 2. The proposed waste water and solid waste treatment and disposal systems are adequate and efficient to prevent contamination of the reservoir water.

The circular is valid from the date of issue.

-sd-CHAIRMAN

To

- 1. The Chief Environmental Engineer, Regional Office, Trivandrum/Ernakulam/Kozhikode.
- 2. The Senior Environmental Engineer, Environmental Surveillance Centre, Eloor.
- 3. The Environmental Engineer, District Office, Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Pathanamthitta, Alapuzha, Idukki, Kottayam, Ernakulam-1, Ernakulam-2, Thrissur, Palakkad, Malappuram, Kozhikode, Kannur, Wayanad, Kasargod.

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