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Following are the highlights of the achievements and activities of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) for **June 2018**:

**1. Rules/Notifications/Policy Decisions:**

- 1.1 **One guideline** issued for diversion of forest land for non-forest purpose under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 during **June, 2018**.
- 1.2 **Draft Notification** is published seeking comments on Powers to appraise and accord Environment Clearance for CETP violation proposals for delegating to the concerned SEIAAs and SEACs.
- 1.3 A clarification was issued for carrying out mining of minerals including the over burden and dump mining.
- 1.4 Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Amendment Rules, 2018 has been notified vide **GSR No. 544 (E) dated 11/6/2018**.

**2. Conferences/Workshops/Seminars and other activities**

- 2.1 India was the global host of the World Environment Day 2018 which is observed on the 5<sup>th</sup> June of every year. The Theme for the occasion was "Beat Plastic Pollution". A variety of parallel thematic sessions/conferences were held during 1-4 June, 2018 in Vigyan Bhawan. Environment related exhibitions were held during 2-5<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 in the back lawns of Vigyan Bhawan, Raj path.
- 2.2 A bilateral meeting was held between Hon'ble MEF&CC and Mr. Nikolai Astrup, Hon'ble Minister of International Development, Ministry of Foreign affairs, Norway on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.
- 2.3 National Museum of Natural History (NMNH) celebrated Valediction of Summer Vacation Programme 2018 on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 on the occasion of World Environment Day in Collaboration with National Zoological Park.

- 2.4 During the month Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) coordinated enforcement operation conceived by INTERPOL named "Operation Thunderstorm" involving forest and police enforcement agencies in all States/UTs.
- 2.5 Wildlife Institute of India (WII) organized a study tour of 29 wildlife Rangers from Department of Wildlife Conservation, Government of Sri Lanka from 23<sup>rd</sup> May to 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018.
- 2.6 A workshop on 'Public Participation in Generating Biodiversity Information' was organized at Wildlife Institute of India. This workshop brought together a range of stakeholders, including those involved in such projects, conservation managers and governmental regulators.
- 2.7 49<sup>th</sup> meeting of Standing committee of National Board of Wildlife held on 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, MoEF&CC.
- 2.8 The MoEF&CC organized a one-day workshop with the relevant State Biodiversity Boards and other partners on 8.6.2018 at MoEF&CC, New Delhi. This workshop discussed with representatives from the State Biodiversity Boards and other relevant partners, the work plan, and specific next steps towards the implementation of the FAO-TCP project on 'Strengthening Agriculture and Allied Sector Contributions to India's National Biodiversity Action Plan (NBAP) 2008 and National Biodiversity Targets (NBTs).
- 2.9 MoEF&CC organized a meeting to review the progress of the preparation of India's Sixth National Report to Convention on Biological Diversity on 6.6.2018 at New Delhi. The meeting had participation inter alia from National Biodiversity Authority and United Nation Development Programme Officials.
- 2.10 The 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the NTCA Technical Committee was held on 25.6.2018 under the Chairmanship of ADG (PT) & MS (NTCA) in which different research and management projects for fostering tiger conservation at national level were discussed and finalized.
- 2.11 Meeting held on 7.6.2018 at National Tiger Conservation Authority Headquarters in respect of signing of MoU with the partner organizations for All India Tiger Estimation- 2018.
- 2.12 On the occasion of International Yoga Day, Yoga Sessions were organized for the Officials/Staff members of MoEF&CC in Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh, New Delhi on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2018.
- 2.13 **Eco Sensitive Zones:**  
Of a total of **651 Protected Areas (PAs)** in the country, ESZ proposals for **475 PAs have been issued** by the Ministry. This includes Draft Notifications for **192 PAs** and Final Notifications for **283 PAs**.

## 2.14 Environmental Clearances

During the month, a total of **153 projects** pertaining to different sectors were appraised, **39 projects were accorded environmental clearance** and **63 projects were prescribed TORs**. So, a total of **102 proposals** were cleared during the month. The status of environmental clearance and TOR of Projects for the month of **June, 2018** is at **Annexure-I**.

## 2.15 Forest Clearances:

During the month, **3014.87 ha of forest land** in **112 cases** were approved under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. **538.42 ha of non-forest land** and **3486.28 ha of degraded forest land** were earmarked for Compensatory Afforestation (C.A.).

## 2.16 Total Expenditure:

An expenditure of **Rs 366.38 crores (Provisional)** has been incurred till **30<sup>th</sup> June, 2018** against the Net budget estimate of **Rs 2683.42 crores** for FY 2018-19.

3. Important policy matters held up on account of prolonged inter-ministerial consultations: **NIL**

## 4. Compliance of CoS decisions:

No. of CoS decisions pending for compliance	Proposed action plan/time lines for compliance of CoS decisions	Remarks

5. Number of cases of 'sanction for prosecution' pending for more than three months: **NIL**

6. Particulars of cases in which there has been a departure from the Transaction of Business Rules or established policy of the Government: **NIL**

## 7. Status of implementation of e-Governance:

Total No. of Files	Total No. E-files
108469	77785

8. Details of cases in which ACC directions have not been complied with:

Sl. No.	Case	Remarks
	<b>NIL</b>	

**9. Status of Public Grievances:**

No. of Public Grievances redressed during the month	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of the month
<b>476</b>	<b>618</b>

**10. Information on the specific steps taken by the Ministry/Department for utilization of the Space Technology based tools and applications in Governance and Development:**

Ministry has its own Decision Support System developed by FSI based on combining GIS platform and remotely sensed imagery obtained by Indian Satellite IRS P-6 Liss-III. This system is used for Wildlife, Biodiversity and Forest Management and decision making related with these issues.

**Yours sincerely,**

*Encl: as above*

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**Status of Environment Clearance and Terms of Reference of Projects for the month of June, 2018**

	Industry-(I)		Industry-(II)		Thermal		River Valley & Hydro-Electric		Mining (Coal)		Mining (Non- Coal)		Infrastructure and Miscellaneous Projects + CRZ		New Construction Projects and Industrial Estates		Nuclear, Defence & Others		Total	
	EC	ToR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	ToR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR
No. of projects at the beginning month	32	25	69	45	4	5	13	4	17	8	146	76	105	32	121	26	5	0	512	221
Projects received during the month/reopened	6	15	41	27	3	3	3	1	2	4	7	28	32	18	16	6	0	0	110	102
Projects cleared during the month	7	6	1	35	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	3	10	26	10	0	0	39	63
Projects converted from EC to ToR due change of scope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Projects exempted during the month	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Projects rejected during the month (on merit)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Projects closed during the month (due to non-submission of inf.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Projects withdrawn/Transferred/Returned/Duplicate	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	1	0	0	0	3	10
Projects kept in abeyance/delisted	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	13	2	0	0	23	2
Projects pending at the end of the month	26	27	68	30	7	6	16	4	17	12	140	83	117	32	70	15	5	0	466	209