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Subject: Categorization of environment clearance conditions in the environment clearance document for different phases of implementation of the project - regarding.

As per the present practice, the environment clearance (EC) granted to a project or activity under EIA Notification 2006, as amended, contains a number of conditions, generally segregated as 'Specific' and 'General' conditions. Some of the industrial associations have requested the Ministry that these conditions should be appropriately categorized for the different phases of implementation of the project and stated separately in the EC with a view to having clarity in the matter.

2. The matter has been examined in the Ministry. While some of the EC conditions may apply for the entire life of the project, others may specifically apply for the different phases of implementation of the project. Accordingly, it has been decided that henceforth the conditions stipulated in the EC, both 'General' and 'Specific', and for both Category 'A' and Category 'B' projects, may be categorized under the following categories:

(i) Conditions for pre-construction phase
(ii) Conditions for construction phase
(iii) Conditions for post-construction/operation phase
(iv) Conditions for entire life of the project

3. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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