OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: OM on High Rise Buildings dated 7th Feb, 2012

This Ministry had issued guidelines for high rise buildings vide OM of even number dated 7.2.2012 thereby linking the height of the buildings with the width of the roads on which the proposed buildings are to be located, and also the distance of Fire Stations from the buildings so that in case of emergency, the Fire Tender may reach the spot in the shortest possible time.

2. Subsequently, vide OM of even number dated 11.12.2012, this Ministry had constituted a Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan, Member, Planning Commission to review the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 relating to buildings, roads and SEZ projects and aforesaid OM dated 07.02.2012 regarding guidelines for high-rise buildings. This Committee has since submitted its report which is under examination. In the meanwhile, it is clarified that pending decision on the report of the committee, the provisions of the aforesaid OM of even number dated 07.02.2012 will continue to apply.

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

(Lalit Kapur)
Director (IA-III)

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