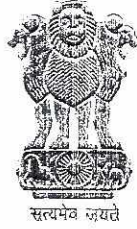




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Following are the highlights of the achievements and activities of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) in the month of **July, 2019**:

1. Rules/Notifications/Policy Decisions:

1.1 Under the Forest Conservation Act (FCA) 1980, comprehensive guidelines, for signing of tripartite agreement amongst NGOs, Private User Agencies and State Forest Department on plantation were finalized.

1.2 Ropeway Projects were excluded from the ambit of the Forest Conservation Act 1980. The area falling under the cable way will not be considered for diversion under FCA 1980, except for the land and intermediate support pillar stations.

2. Conferences/Workshops/Seminars and other activities:

2.1 The National Tiger Conservation Authority along with other conservation Partners celebrated the Global Tiger Day 2019 by conducting a series of events starting on 25 July 2019 at National Zoological Park, Delhi. The All India Tiger Estimation Results, Management Effectiveness evaluation of Tiger Reserves results and Phase-II Economic Valuation of the 10 Tiger Reserves was released by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on 29 July 2019.

2.2 During 14-16 July 2019, I participated in the Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE) Consultation workshop, wherein issues on efficiency for sustainable consumption and production, financial instruments and employment in context of green economics and ecosystem vulnerabilities were discussed.

2.3 A meeting was held on 19 July 2019 under the Chairmanship of ADG (WL) in New Delhi, discussing the Human Elephant Conflict issues, in the Districts of Kodagu, Hassan and Chickmagalur in Karnataka.

2.4 30 Trainees enrolled for a Course on "People Biodiversity Register" which commenced on 12 July 2019, at Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS), Mumbai.

2.5 To celebrate Van Mahotsav, National Museum of Natural History (NMNH) organized Environment Awareness Programme and

Plantation Drive during 2nd to 5th July 2019, for School and College Students, Residential Colonies through RWAs, in the Delhi-NCR.

2.6 Environmental Clearances:

During the month of July 2019, **149 projects** pertaining to different sectors were appraised, **33 projects were accorded environmental clearance** and **28 projects were prescribed TORs**. Thus a total of **61 proposals** were cleared. The status of environmental clearance and TOR of Projects is at **Annexure-I**.

2.7 Forest Clearances:

During the month, diversion of **722.95 ha of forestland** in **62 cases** was approved under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. **138.97 ha of non-forest land** and **1201.34 ha of degraded forestland** were earmarked for Compensatory Afforestation (C.A.).

2.8 Total Expenditure:

An expenditure of **Rs 645.50 crores (Provisional)** has been incurred until **31st July 2019** against the Net budget estimate of **Rs 3062.72 crores** for FY 2019-20.

2.9 Eco sensitive Zone:

Out of **651 Protected Areas (PAs)** in the country, the Ministry has issued **ESZ Notifications for 517 PAs**, including **Draft Notifications for 196 PAs** and **Final Notifications for 321 PAs**.

3. Important policy matters held up because of prolonged inter-ministerial consultation: NIL

4. Compliance of CoS Decisions:

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

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

8. Status of Public Grievances:

No. of Public Grievances redressed during the month	No. of Public Grievances pending at the end of the month including brought forward
715	577

9. 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,

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Status of Environment Clearance and Terms of Reference of Projects for the month of July, 2019

	Industry-(I)		Industry-(II)		Thermal		River Valley & Hydro-Electric		Mining (Coal)		Mining (Non- Coal)		Infrastructure and Miscellaneous Projects + CRZ		New Construction Project and Industrial Estates		Total	
	EC	ToR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	ToR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR	EC	TOR
o. of projects at beginning of the month	82	80	294	33	10	16	68	44	46	52	97	116	208	44	62	20	867	405
projects received during the month/ respond	16	17	41	31	0	2	0	1	3	4	9	7	17	7	4	1	90	70
projects cleared during the month	4	9	10	13	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	15	2	3	0	33	28
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
projects exempted during the month	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
project rejected during the month (on merit)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
project closed during the month (due to non-submission of info.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
projects withdrawn/ returned/ transferred/ duplicate	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	3	10
projects kept in compliance/ delisted	3	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8
projects pending at the end of the month *	44	35	155	24	5	7	34	23	25	26	59	60	103	23	26	11	451	209

* The total pending projects does not include the projects which are pending due to EDS. However, the EDS proposals have been included in the projects received during the month.