F. No. IA3-3/16/2025-IA.III [E 259511]

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Impact Assessment Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Aliganj, Jorbagh Road New Delhi-110 003

Dated 15th April, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Stay imposed by Hon'ble Supreme Court with regard to the Notification dated 29/01/2025 and the OM dated 30/01/2025 – regarding.

Based on the liberty granted by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam, vide its order dated 06/03/2024, in the matter of WP (C) No. 3097 of 2016 titled One Earth One Life vs. the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Anr., the Ministry, after following due process, issued a Notification dated 29/01/2025 for amending the item 8 of the schedule of EIA Notification 2006. In continuation, an Office Memorandum dated 30/01/2025 was also issued to clarify the applicability of the notification dated 29/01/2025.

- 2. However, the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 24/02/2025 in W.P.(C) No. 166/2025 titled Vanashakti vs Union of India, imposed a stay on the operation and implementation of the above mentioned Notification dated 29/01/2025 and OM dated 30/01/2025. The copy of the order which is self-explanatory is enclosed herewith for necessary action and compliance.
- 3. This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(Dr. J.D. Marcus Knight)

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Encl: As above.

To

- 1. The Chief Secretaries of all the States / UTs
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SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s). 166/2025

VANASHAKTI

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 48655/2025 - STAY APPLICATION)

Date: 24-02-2025 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ABHAY S. OKA HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE UJJAL BHUYAN

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For Respondent(s):

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Issue notice returnable on 28th March, 2025.

In the meanwhile, there will be stay of operation and implementation of the impugned Notification dated 29th January, 2025 (Annexure P-24) as well as Office Memorandum dated 30th January, 2025 (Annexure P-25).