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Sub: Revise the validity of Consent to establish to 10 years for infrastructure projects.

- Ref:**
1. MoEF&CC office memorandum dated 12th April 2016 – validity of Environment Clearance.
 2. MoEF&CC office memorandum dtd. 12.04.2022 – validity of Environment Clearance.
 3. Decision of 10th CAC meeting dated 23.11.2022.
 4. MoEF&CC office memorandum dated 13th December 2022 – validity of Environment Clearance.


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MoEF & CC had earlier extended the validity of the Environment Clearance for infrastructure Projects from 5 years to 7 years vide Office Memorandum dated 12th April 2016. Further the MoEF & CC has extended the validity from 7 years to 10 years vide office memorandum dtd. 12.04.2022 & 13.12.2022 considering the time taken for addressing local concerns including environmental issues related to the implementations of such projects.

Consent to establish are being issued by Board to infrastructure projects for the validity up to Commissioning of the unit or 5 years whichever is earlier. Board has received representations from various stakeholders to extend the validity of consent to establish to align or coterminous with the validity of Environment Clearance for ten years. The extension of validity of Consent to establish synchronise with Environment Clearance validity for 10 years may save time and reducing the revalidation load for Consent to establish also add to the ease of doing business for all stakeholders without any adverse effect on the environment.

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The concern matter has discussed at length in the Consent Appraisal Committee meeting, and it was decided to revise the validity of Consent to establish to 10 years for infrastructure projects only coterminous with the validity of Environment Clearance for 10 years. Also, project proponents should pay two terms consent fees at the time of application who wish to obtain consent to establish for 10 years.


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