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To,
District Collector,
Alibaug, Raigad

Subject: Complaint regarding dumping of the debris and destruction of mangroves at village Panje, Tal: Uran, District: Raigad.

Ref:
1) Various complaints received before the Environment Department in the subject matter

The Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), New Delhi had published the CRZ Notification, 19.2.1991, in order to regulate the development activities in CRZ areas. AND, WHEREAS, the MoEF, New Delhi has published the CRZ Notification, 2011 superseding the CRZ Notification, 1991.

2. The MoEF, New Delhi has constituted the Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority (MCZMA) from time to time in order to regulate the proposed activities in CRZ area. The State Environment Department vide Government Resolution dated 6th March, 2011 constituted the District Coastal Zone Monitoring Committee (DCZMC) at district level under the Chairmanship of District Collector. The DCZMC is empowered to stop and remove the unauthorized constructions in the CRZ areas which are in violation of the CRZ norms.

3. Repeated complaints are received in the Department alleging the dumping of the debris and destruction of mangroves at village Panje, Tal: Uran, Dist: Raigad. AND WHEREAS, a site visit was carried out by the District Collector, Raigad office stating said land was being filled with soil with the help of Trucks. FIR was filed against the Truck driver in Uran Police station on 16.12.2019. A meeting was convened in the matter on 3rd March, 2020 by Hon’ble Minister, Environment, GoM with the officials of the Dept, wherein it was directed that ongoing activity at the site should be stopped immediately. Accordingly, it is requested to ensure that the dumping activity, if any ongoing should be stopped immediately.

I am directed to communicate that the action taken report to be submitted to the Department and briefed to Principal Secretary, Environment urgently.

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& Member Secretary, MCZMA

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