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## ORDER

**Sub : Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA)- exemption of the establishment and operation of coastal aquaculture hatcheries within 200 m from the High Tide Line (HTL)-Regarding**

**Ref : 1. Sub Section 8 of Section 13 of CAA Act, 2005  
2. Minutes of the 65<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Coastal Aquaculture Authority**

1. **WHEREAS** Sub Section 8 of Section 13 of CAA Act, 2005 prescribes the following

*"(8) Notwithstanding anything contained in this section,-*

*(a) no coastal aquaculture shall be carried on within two hundred metres from High Tide Lines; and*

*(b) no coastal aquaculture shall be carried on in creeks, rivers and backwaters within the Coastal Regulation Zone declared for the time being under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986).*

*Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply in the case of a coastal aquaculture farm which is in existence on the appointed day and to the non-commercial and experimental coastal aquaculture farms operated or proposed to be operated by any research institute of the Government or funded by the Government:*

***Provided further that the Authority may, for the purposes of providing exemption under the first proviso, review from time to time the existence and activities of the coastal aquaculture farms and the provisions of this section shall apply on coastal aquaculture farms in view of such review"***

2. **WHEREAS** the establishment and operation of coastal aquaculture hatcheries has been included under the activities regulated or permissible in the CRZ areas, ever since, the notification of Coastal Regulation Zone in 1991 under Section 36 of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 (Act No. 29 of 1986).

3. **WHEREAS** the recent CRZ Notification of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India GSR 37 (E) dated the 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 has also classified the coastal aquaculture hatchery under the activities regulated or permissible in the CRZ -1B areas vide item no. (vii) Under Subsection 5.1.2, Section 5 under the heading of Regulation of permissible activities in CRZ. Consequently the





establishment and operation of coastal aquaculture hatcheries are categorized as regulated or permissible activities in CRZ – II and III.

4. **WHEREAS** considering the need for sea water access for the operation of the coastal aquaculture hatcheries, the CAA has permitted the establishment of coastal aquaculture hatcheries along the coast of India by according exemption **from the provision of subsection 8(a) of Section 13 of CAA Act 2005** from time to time **in exercise of the powers conferred on this Authority by the second proviso of subsection 8 of Section 13 of CAA Act, 2005** and their operations are regulated in accordance with the provisions of CAA Act, Rules and Guidelines.
5. **WHEREAS** to redress the apprehension remained with various stakeholders, the Coastal Aquaculture Authority in its **65<sup>th</sup> meeting in exercise of the powers conferred on this Authority by the second proviso of subsection 8 of Section 13 of CAA Act, 2005, resolved to permanently exempt the establishment of coastal aquaculture hatcheries within 200 m from the High Tide line from the provision of subsection 8(a) of Section 13 of CAA Act 2005,** to facilitate the operation of coastal aquaculture hatcheries.
6. Accordingly, **the establishment and operation of coastal aquaculture hatcheries within 200 m from the High Tide Line (HTL) stands exempted from the provision of subsection 8(a) of Section 13 of CAA Act 2005.**



  
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Member Secretary