

INSTRUCTIONS

(i) Nature of Development Activity

- (a) “Development activity” is defined in the Coast Conservation Act as follows :
“Any activity likely to alter the physical nature of the Coastal Zone in any way, and include the construction of buildings and works, the deposit of wastes other materials from outfalls, vessels or by the other means or removal of sand, coral, shells, natural vegetation, sea grass or other substances, dredging and filings, land reclamation, and mining or drilling for minerals, but does not include fishing.”
- (b) “Coastal Zone” is defined in the coast Conservation Act as follows :
“That area lying within a limit of 300m landwards of the Mean High Water Line and limit of 2 km seawards of the Mean low Water line and in the case of rivers , streams, lagoons, or any other body of water connected to the sea either permanently or periodically , the landward boundary shall extend to a limit of 2 km measured perpendicular to the straight base line drawn between the natural entrance points therefore and shall include the waters of such rivers, streams, and lagoons or any other of water so connected to the sea”.
- (c) If the application is for the construction of any structures, the design drawing from the foundation up to the first floor above ground must be forwarded along with this application.
- (d) If the application is for dumping or removal of any material from the coastal zone, volume of material to be dumped or removed, duration of such activity, and the method of removal; or dumping should be described in detail in this application

(ii) Location of Activity

- (a) Three copies of a Survey Plan prepared by Licensed Surveyor, indicating the location of activity must be forwarded along with this application. The plan should indicate the line of High Water and the limit of permanent vegetation (e.g. coconut trees; other timber trees; screw – pine; pandanus, or similar shrubs. Beach creepers should not be considered as permanent vegetation.)

A money order/postal drawn in favour of Director, Coast Conservation for the sum of Rs. 50 should be sent with the Application.

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