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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change**

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Dated: 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2014.

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

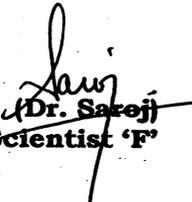
**Subject: Environment (Protection) Amendment Rules, 2014 - Notification No. G.S.R. 02(E) dated 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2014 regarding supply and use of coal with ash content not exceeding 34% to coal based Thermal Power Plants - compliance reg.**

The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change vide the above Notification has mandated supply and use of raw or blended or beneficiated coal with ash content not exceeding 34%, on quarterly average basis for certain categories of coal based Thermal Power Plants. The said Notification is also available on the Ministry's website at <http://www.moef.nic.in/amendments-to-principal-rules>.

2. The Ministry has been receiving representations alleging the non-compliance to the said Notification. The subject matter is also being heard by the Hon'ble NGT. It is reiterated that the said Notification shall be strictly complied by all the concerned. Further, to ensure the said compliance, the following is recommended.

- (i) The Thermal Power Plants attracting the said Notification shall submit its compliance to the Ministry's Regional Office and SPCB concerned along with the compliance reports of the environmental safeguards stipulated in the ECs and Consents.
- (ii) The Ministry's Regional Offices and SPCBs shall ensure the above and take necessary action. Any non-compliance shall be brought to the notice of this Ministry and CPCB.
- (iii) The concerned EACs/SEACs shall look into the compliance of the said Notification while appraising the proposals for EC, especially the expansion cases and accordingly stipulate requisite condition(s).

3. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

  
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To

1. All the officers of IA Division
2. Chairpersons/ Member Secretaries of all the SEIAAs/ SEACs
3. Chairman, CPCB
4. Chairpersons/ Member Secretaries of all SPCBs/ UTPCCs
5. All R.O. of MoEF.

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