



Q. What does PARIVESH stand for?

Ans. PARIVESH stands for Pro Active and Responsive facilitation by Interactive, Virtuous and Environmental Single window Hub.

Q. What is the scope of PARIVESH?

Ans. The PARIVESH is a single window system for appraisal and granting Environmental Clearances and Forest Clearances

Q. What is the benefit of PARIVESH?

Ans. This innovative initiative will drastically improve the entire process of appraisal and environmental clearance in the Ministry. It will ensure transparency and speed up granting clearance. The important features are that the Project Proponent gets a confirmation on mail about acceptance of his application or can receive objections raised on the application online and can file his reply to such objections online. The Project Proponent can also track the movement of their application at different stages and can see the findings of the Expert Appraisal Committee on their project proposal. This online system has also provided access to previous Environment Impact Assessment Reports, which is a valuable reservoir of information.

Q. Where the applications for wildlife clearance be submitted?

Ans. The User Agency has to login in the Ministry's portal <https://parivesh.nic.in> And fill up Part-1 and Part-II and submit it. The application then automatically moves to the Divisional Forest Officer/Deputy Conservator of Forest/Park Manager of the concerned Protected Area.

Q. Is there a need to submit hard copies along with online submission?

Ans. Online submission of applications would be sufficient. There is no need to submit hard copies of the proposal to the PA manager.

Q. In the event of poor internet connectivity, can the hard copy of the proposal be submitted instead?

Ans. There is no bar on submitting hard copies of the proposal in the event of poor internet connectivity.

Q. Can the applicant track the application?

Ans. Yes. The applicant can track the status of his application online at various levels.

Q. How to change project name or category?

Ans. If any project name or category must be changed then the proposal needs to be withdrawn and UA must submit a new proposal.

Q. If activity proposed is within National Park or Sanctuary, does it require clearance from Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife?

Ans. Yes. As per the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 9th May 2002, any non-forestry activity inside a Sanctuary or National Park requires clearance from Standing Committee of NBWL. The application for this needs to be submitted online.

Q. If activity proposed is outside National Park or Sanctuary, does it require clearance from Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife?

Ans. If the proposed activity is located within 10 km zone of National Park or Sanctuary and requires environment clearance, such proposal would need to be placed before the Standing Committee of NBWL where ESZ is not notified.

Q. If activity proposed is located within the notified Eco-Sensitive Zone around National Park or Sanctuary, does it require clearance from Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife?

Ans. An activity located inside the notified ESZ could be anyone of the three categories: permitted activity regulated activity and prohibited activity. This information would be available in the ESZ notification. A permitted activity would not need wildlife clearance. A regulated activity would be as per the ESZ notification. Prohibited activity would not be implemented inside the ESZ area.

Q. If activity proposed is within a Tiger Reserve, does it require clearance from Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife?

Ans. Any proposal involving any area under the notified Tiger Reserve need to be referred to the Standing Committee of NBWL for wildlife clearance.

Q. Would activities involving 'non-invasive surveys' as a prelude to main activity also require

clearance from Standing Committee of NBWL?

Ans. No. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has clarified to the State Chief Wildlife Wardens those activities involving 'non-invasive surveys' as a prelude to main activity, may be decided by the Chief Wildlife Warden and need not be referred to Standing Committee of NBWL. In such cases, application needs to be submitted to the State Chief Wildlife Warden, clearly indicating 'Survey & Investigation using non-invasive methods.

Q. Would proposals involving laying of transmission lines outside National Parks and Sanctuaries require clearance from Standing Committee of NBWL?

Ans. Power transmission lines within 10 km zone outside the National Parks / Sanctuaries do not require environment clearance. Consequently, these would not need wildlife clearance.