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**CENTRAL GROUND WATER AUTHORITY
MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES**

[CONSTITUTED UNDER SECTION 3(3) OF
ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION ACT, 1986]
West Block-II, Wing No. 3 (Ground Floor), R.K. Puram
New Delhi-110066

PUBLIC NOTICE 1 of 2013

ATTENTION: ALL BUILDERS IN NOIDA & GREATER NOIDA

Sub: Ban on Ground Water Extraction in Compliance of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal Order dated 11th January, 2013

Whereas, Central Ground Water Authority (here in after called "Authority") has been constituted under Section 3(3) of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 vide Notification S.O. 38 E dated 14.01.1997 for the purpose of regulating indiscriminate boring and withdrawal of ground water in the country and to issue necessary regulatory directions with a view to preserve and protect the ground water. The "Authority" has been conferred with the powers under Section 5 of the said Act for issuing directions to any person, officer or any authority for closure, prohibition of any operation or process or stoppage or regulation of supply of electricity or water or any other services.

The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi has passed ad interim injunction vide Application No. 59 of 2012, dated 11th January 2013 "restraining all the builders in NOIDA and Greater NOIDA from extracting any quantity of underground water for the purpose of construction or otherwise till the next date of hearing". The Hon'ble Tribunal has also directed Central Ground Water Authority for strict compliance and ensuring implementation of the interim injunction passed.

The "Authority" in exercise of powers conferred under Section 5 of EPA 1986 and in compliance of the above order hereby restrains all the builders in NOIDA and Greater NOIDA from extracting any quantity of underground water for the purpose of construction or otherwise till the stay is vacated by Hon'ble National Green Tribunal or further orders, whichever is earlier.

Any violation of the direction of the "Authority" may lead to sealing of tubewell/borewell by the concerned Deputy Commissioner/District Magistrate, disconnection of electric supply to the energised well and/or seizure of any other equipment being used to facilitate the abstraction of ground water for purpose of construction or otherwise and will also attract the penal provisions under section 15 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Member Secretary

RESERVE GROUND WATER FOR HUMANITY

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Corrigendum for Public Notice No. 1 of 2013

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The last paragraph (Para No. 4) of Public Notice No. 1 of 2013 of CGWA published in the newspaper on 16th January, 2013 may be read as:

Any violation of the direction of the "Authority" shall attract the penal provisions under Section 15 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Section 26, 27 and 28 of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal Act, 2010 besides sealing of tubewell/borewell by the concerned Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, disconnection of electric supply to the energised well and/or seizure of any other equipment being used to facilitate the abstraction of ground water for purpose of construction or otherwise. davp 45104/11/0008/1213

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