Refinement of existing Guidelines/criteria for evaluation of proposals/requests for ground water abstraction (with effect from 15.11.2012).

Following changes have been approved in the existing Guidelines/criteria for evaluation of proposals/requests for ground water abstraction (with effect from 15.11.2012)-

1. **Renewal of NOCs of water intensive existing units in Notified area and Over-exploited area – no criteria for recharge measures is mentioned**
   
   In the renewal cases of water intensive units in notified and Over-Exploited areas, the recharge guidelines applicable to Critical areas in the existing guidelines will be followed i.e. ground water withdrawal is limited to 50% of ground water recharge.

2. **Extension of NOC issued to the project proponents:**

   There are cases where project proponent has not been able to start the project and also ground water withdrawal for which NOC has been accorded by CGWA owing to delay in various clearances. In such cases based on valid justifications, NOC can be extended for a period of two more years however the recharge conditions will be applicable as per latest guidelines.

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