

### Applicable Time Limit for processing Environmental Clearance (EC)

**Applicable time limits are subject to submission of correct and complete information based on applicable government regulations and guidelines.**

Action Time	Limit	Documents Required
Acknowledgement of receipt of an application by CA or NECS	Within 15 days	<p><b>1. EC for New Project</b></p> <p>-Dully filled and completed IEE form (as per project category)</p> <p>List of documents to be attached with this IEE form:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Sectoral Clearance (DOPFS/DoR/BPC etc.), if applicable</li> <li>b. Dzongkhag/Thromde Administrative approval</li> <li>c. Public consultation records verified by the concerned local authority</li> <li>d. Layout plan and google KMZ file depicting entire layout plan</li> </ol> <p>- Environment Assessment and Application Fee</p> <p><b>2. For EC Renewal</b></p> <p>- To renew the EC, one must submit an application with the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Details of the company or the applicant</li> <li>b. A copy of the environmental clearance</li> <li>c. State the reasons for seeking extension or renewal of the EC</li> <li>d. Mention for how long the extension is required, particularly for activities requiring environmental clearances only during construction period</li> <li>e. Brief report on how the environmental terms and conditions were implemented (compliance Report)</li> <li>f. Any other relevant documents such as receipts of fines paid, etc.</li> </ol> <p>-20% of Initial Environment Assessment and Application Fee</p>
Review by NECS or CA to assess adequacy of information in line with the norms, guideline, Act and Regulation	1 to 3 months	
CA forward applications to NECS for non-listed projects and listed projects if it falls under section 17 of the regulation	Within 15 days	
Screening to determine the level of EA required	1 to 3 months	
If EA is required, the level and timeframe for the assessment will be determined through negotiations between relevant parties and approved by the NECS or CA	Time frame to be negotiated	
Decision/response on the EC based on the findings of the EA report	1 to 3 months	
Public notification on decision by the NEC or CA	Within 15 days	
Appeal on the decision	Within 30 days from the date of notification	
On approval of the clearance, a legal undertaking with the applicant to comply with the EA Act, 2000	10 days to 1 month	

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