

List of exempted projects/activities from Environmental Clearance requirement (updated 2020 & 2021)

Sl. No.	Project or Activities	Project Category
1	Oil mill, Floor mill, Rice mill (cottage and small)	Green Category –Environmental Assessment (EA) process not required. However, need to obtain approval/clearance/development consent from concerned agencies as required under relevant legislations.
2	Setting up Dry Cleaning Services	
3	Consultancy Firms	
4	Cinema not involving land use changes	
5	Barber shops	
6	Communication services (telephone and TV Cable services)	
7	Umbrella repairs	
8	Nursery	
9	Carpet production without dyes	
10	Restaurants	
11	Arts and handicrafts (cottage and small scale)	
12	Electronics/electrical repair services	
13	Tailoring	
14	Candle production (cottage and small scale)	
15	Potato chips production (cottage and small scale)	
16	Incense production	
17	Jari production (cottage and small scale)	
18	Noodle production (cottage and small scale)	
19	Audio visual services (not involving land use change)	
20	Cobbling	
21	Training institute (not involving land use changes)	
22	Desktop publishing	
23	Photo studio without developing and printing facilities	
24	Indoor games (not involving construction)	
25	Cycle repairs	
26	Beauty parlors	
27	Quilt makers	
28	Clearing and forwarding agents	
29	Tour and travel services	
30	Discotheques	
31	Textile production without dyes	
32	Manufacture of organic fertilizers	
33	Road resurfacing	
34	Road maintenance	
35	Bioengineering	
36	Bridge maintenance not involving land use changes	
37	Road improvement (base course/black topping)	
38	Construction of residential houses	
39	Goods and passenger transports	
40	Smithery works	
41	Laundry services	
42	Tyre and tube repair services	
43	Day care centre for children	
44	Construction of mule track	
45	Construction of archery ground or range	
46	Construction of crematorium	
47	Setting of bakery/confectionaries (cottage and small scale)	
48	Establishment of digital photo studio cottage and small scale)	
49	Construction of labor camps	

50	Construction of small-scale water supply for domestic use (less than 10,000 L/day)	Green Category –Environmental Assessment (EA) process not required. However, need to obtain approval/clearance/development consent from concerned agencies as required under relevant legislations.
51	Mitigation works/Permanent work (retaining wall, breast wall, causeway)	
52	Allocation of forest produce to rural communities outside FMU	
53	Sanitation (dead trees/diseased trees etc.) operation outside and inside FMU	
54	Activities related to agriculture research and development	
55	Establishment of cardamom plantation and other commercial plantations (mushroom, hazelnut, coffee, potato, ginger, soya beans, dallay, sunflower, bamboo, kiwi, castor oil, orchid, traditional medicine, berry) not involving using GMOs and LMOs (cottage and small scale)	
56	Assembling of wood, metal, glass-based products and footwear not involving tanning and usage of fabrics involving dyeing (small and cottage sized provided that the activity is as per the approved LAP/Industrial Estate/Special Economic Zone with Environmental Clearance	
57	Manufacturing of paper egg tray, feed mills, toilet paper/paper napkins (small and cottage sized provided the that the activity is as per the approved LAP/Industrial Estate/Special Economic Zone with Environmental Clearance)	
58	Construction and operation of hotels within the demarcated Thromde boundary	
59	Establishment of weigh bridge	
60	Establishment of auction yards/storage yard for forest and agricultural produce	
61	Setting up of craft services based on indigenous and local materials (cottage and small)	
62	Establishment of tattoo parlor	
63	Establishments of skin cosmetics	
64	Establishments of utilities and service lines within approved LAP with environmental clearance	
65	Setting up of vegetable market sheds	
66	Development of parking space	
67	Establishment of community forest and private forestry harvesting	
68	Afforestation and reforestation work	
69	Management and collection of non-wood forest produce	
70	Interior design services (not involving land use changes)	
71	Vehicle towing and recovery services (not involving land use changes)	
72	Repairing and maintenance of electric transformers (not involving land use changes)	
73	Repair and maintenance of optic fibers (not involving land use changes)	
74	Oversees employment agency (not involving land use changes)	
75	Provision of IT services (IT office solution for material management, fixed assets, human resources, payroll, financial and accountancy- not involving land use changes)	
76	Organic farming	

77	Weight loss, yoga, health club, swimming pool, gymnasium, sports clubs and fitness centre (not involving land use changes)	Green Category –Environmental Assessment (EA) process not required. However, need to obtain approval/clearance/development consent from concerned agencies as required under relevant legislations.
78	Spa, massage parlor, hot stone bath centre (not involving land use changes)	
79	Film distribution	
80	Auctioning of goods and property (not involving land use changes)	
81	Labor recruitment agency	
82	Advertisements and marketing services	
83	Courier services	
84	Real estate services (not involving land use changes)	
85	Asset brokerage	
86	Event management	
87	Delivery services	
88	Security services	
89	Hiring and rental services	
90	Building repair and maintenance services (plumbing, cleaning, electrical, mason, carpentry, painting, tank cleaning etc.)	
91	Education and tutorial services (not involving land use changes)	
92	Floriculture and horticulture (cottage and small)	
93	Home processed food (cottage)	
94	Translation/interpretation services/legal services	
94	Tourism services (rafting and kayaking, rock climbing, boating, camping etc.) - (not involving land use changes)	
96	Hostel, guest houses and service apartments (not involving land use changes)	
97	Air line services	
98	Upholstery	
99	Monsoon Damage Restoration Works	
100	Establishment and operation of biogas facility and solar power (household level)	
101	Waste Management Services (collection)	
102	Replacement of old machine/equipment with similar specifications in the existing facility	
103	Activities proposed within the established startup centers	
104	Book binding	
105	Manufacturing of herbal tea, pan masala unit, betel nut, ice cream manufacturing, paper disposal utensils, paper souvenir, and traditional handmade paper (small and cottage sized provided the that the activity is as per the approved LAP/Industrial Estate/Special Economic Zone with Environmental Clearance)	
106	Tea processing without boiler	
107	Blending and packaging of tea	
108	Production of socks involving only stitching and sewing works	
109	ORC (Outreach Clinic Centers)	
110	Engraving and polishing of woods and stones (cottage and small scale)	
111	Construction of Lhakhangs/chortens and other religious monuments	

112	Setting up screening plant (separation of sand and stone/boulders)	<p>Green Category –Environmental Assessment (EA) process not required.</p> <p>However, need to obtain approval/clearance/development consent from concerned agencies as required under relevant legislations.</p> <p>Green Category –Environmental Assessment (EA) process not required.</p>
113	Beekeeping	
114	Livestock activities such as setting up of fisheries, pasture development and dog pound (cottage and small), setting up of Dairy farms (upto semi-commercial), poultry farm (subsistence) and piggery (subsistence)	
115	Assembling of CGI/cardboard/cardboard box sheets (cutting and sizing)	
116	Oxygen and nitrogen gas plants (using atmospheric air)	
117	Cold storage and ice making	
118	Power looms/hand looms without dyeing and bleaching	
119	Chalk making (sun drying/using electrical oven)	
120	Fountain pen manufacturing by assembling only	
121	Processing of soap, detergent, sanitary napkins, phenol and other household cleaning agents using ready-made raw materials (cottage and small)	
122	Establishment and operation of sawmill/sawdust briquetting plant	
123	Construction of urban roads and urban drainage within approved LAP with EC	
124	Wooden/steel furniture units including paneling and wood joineries	
125	Tooth pick manufacturing unit	
126	Construction of Trails	
127	Establishment & operation of plants manufacturing metals and nails by drawing and stretching (barbed wires, chain-link fence, nail etc.)	
128	Construction of small-scale irrigation channel (less than 2 km of length or water supplies to an area less than	