

Box 1: Siting Criteria Delineated by MOEF

- I. As far as possible prime agricultural land/forest land may not be converted into an industrial site
- II. Land acquired should be minimum but sufficient to provide for a green belt wherein the treated wastewater, if possible/suitable, could be utilized from wastewater treatment systems
- III. Enough space may be provided for storing solid wastes. The space and the waste can be made available for possible reuse in future
- IV. Layout and form of the project must conform to the landscape of the area without unduly affecting the scenic features of that place
- V. Associated township of the project if any to be created must provide for space for phyto- graphic barrier between the project and the township and should take into account predominant wind direction
- VI. **Coastal Areas:** at least 1/2 km from the high tide line (within 0.5 km of High Tide Line (HTL), specified activities as per CRZ notification, 1991 are permitted)(The HTL is to be delineated by the authorized agency only.)
- VII. **Estuaries:** At least 200 meters from the estuary boundaries
- VIII. **Flood Plains of the Riverine systems:** at least 500 meters from flood plain or modified flood plain or by flood control systems
- IX. **Transport/Communication System:** at least 500 meters from highway and railway
- X. Major Settlements (**3,00,000 population**) **at least 25 km from the projected growth boundary of the settlement**