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**Sub: PROVISION OF SHAPE FILES OF INUNDATION/SUBMERGENCE/FLOOD RISK
MAPS 2016**

I have been directed to refer to the subject cited above and to urgently request the shape files of the Inundation/Submergence/Flood Risk maps prepared by NESPAK through the Water Sector Capacity Building Project (WCAP) in 2016. These maps, which highlight the flood classification zones (low, medium, and high risk), are essential for the verification of encroachments within flood plains.

2. Despite multiple communications and telephonic calls made by the Federal Flood Commission (FFC) in the past, we have not yet received the requested information. As of today, we kindly request that the required shape files be provided without further delay.


3. For context, I refer to the recent meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources. During this meeting, the Committee emphasized the necessity of a comprehensive report on the status of encroachments within flood plains across the country. The Committee's decision includes the following directives:

1. The Chairman of the Committee required a report from FFC on encroachments on rivers and waterways that impede their natural flow, along with schemes to manage and deal with floods.
2. The Committee requested that FFC provide a detailed report on the encroachments removed or still existing as identified by SUPARCO in compliance with the directive of the Supreme Court. Additionally, the Commission is to provide compliance reports received from the provinces in this regard.

4. In light of the above, we urgently need NESPAK's Inundation/Submergence/Flood Risk maps to assist in plotting and verifying encroachments identified within the flood plain areas. This information is crucial for the preparation of a detailed report to the Senate Standing Committee.

5. Your prompt cooperation in providing the necessary shape files and related data will be greatly appreciated. We look forward to receiving the required information at your earliest convenience to ensure compliance with the directives of the Senate Standing Committee.

6. This issue is being raised with the approval of CEA/CFFC.


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