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Environment Protection Act, 1986

Section 2 - DEFINITIONS In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

a) "environment" includes water, air and land and the interrelationship which exists among and between water, air and land, and human beings, other living creatures, plants, microorganism and property; (b) "environmental pollutant" means any solid, liquid or gaseous substances present in such concentration as may be, or tend to be, injurious to environment; (c) "environmental pollution" means the presence in the environment of any Environmental pollutant; (d) "handling", in relation to any substance, means the manufacture, processing, treatment, package, storage, transportation, use, collection, destruction, conversion, offering for sale, transfer of the like of such substance; (e) "hazardous substance" means any substance or preparation which, by reason of its chemical or physico-chemical properties or handling, is liable to cause harm to human beings, other living creatures, plants, micro- organism, property or the environment; (f) "occupier", in relation to any factory or premises, means a person who has control over the affairs of the factory or the premises and includes, in relation to any substance, the person in possession of the Substance; (g) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules made under this Act.