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To,

The Chairman,
Uttarakhand Environment Protection &
Pollution Control Board
29/20, Nemi Road,
Dehradun, Uttarakhand - 248001

DIRECTIONS UNDER SECTION 18 (1) (B) OF WATER (PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF POLLUTION) ACT, 1974 AND 18 (1) (B) OF AIR (PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF POLLUTION) ACT, 1981 TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST THE INDUSTRIAL UNITS OPERATING WITHOUT VALID CONSENT-TO-OPERATE IN HARIDWAR DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Central Board, has delegated powers vested under Section 18 (1) (b) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974 and Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board vide its resolution made on 133rd Board meeting item no. 3.12 dated 24th March, 2005 to issue direction under Section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to State Board; and

WHEREAS, under Section 25 of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 21 of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 no person shall, without the previous consent of State Board establish or take step to establish any industry, operation, or process or any treatment or disposal system or an extension or addition thereto, which is likely to discharge sewage or trade effluent into a stream or well or sewer or on land; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued directions dated 03/03/2017 and 10/03/2017 under Section 18 (1) (b) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to Uttarakhand Environment Protection and Pollution Control Board (UEPPCB) to ensure that no industry operates without having valid consent-to-operate; and

WHEREAS, in the meeting chaired by Principal Secretary to Prime Minister regarding "Clean Ganga Mission" on 09/02/2018, it was decided that Central Pollution Control Board should get a report from DM, Haridwar on whether all functional industries have obtained consent-to-operate from Uttarakhand Environment Protection & Pollution Control Board; and

WHEREAS, a joint survey of 964 industrial units has been carried out by teams comprising officials of CPCB, UEPPCB, District Industry Centre (DIC) & local administration during March, 2018 located in Industrial areas of Haridwar district namely SIDCUL, IEE, Haridwar, Industrial Area IP-2 & 4, Haridwar, IIDC, Haridwar, Old Industrial Area, Haridwar, BHEL, Haridwar, Industrial Area, Roorkee, Industrial Area, Bhagwanpur, Industrial Area, Lakeshwari and Industrial Area, Ranipur; and

WHEREAS, Out of 964 units, 366 units were found operating without having valid consent-to-operate in Haridwar district; and


WHEREAS, CPCB issued directions dated 20/04/2018 under Section 18 (1) (b) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to Uttarakhand Environment Protection and Pollution Control Board (UEPPCB) to take appropriate action including issuance of closure orders against the above referred industrial units observed operating without valid consent-to-operate in Haridwar District; and

WHEREAS, UEPPCB issued Show Cause Notice dated 28/04/2018 under Section 33-A of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and 31 (A) of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to 366 Industrial units for operating without valid Consent-to-Operate.

It is evident that these industrial units are in operation in violation of CPCB direction dated 03/03/2017, 10/03/2017 and 20/04/2018 and also violates provisions of Water Act, 1974 & Air Act, 1981, posing potential threat to ambient environmental quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of above referred observation and in exercise of the power conferred under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974 and Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1981, you are here by directed to issue closure directions under Section 33-A of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and 31 (A) of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to above referred 366 industrial units operating without valid Consent-To-Operate in Haridwar District.

UEPPCB shall acknowledge receipt of these directions immediately and submit action taken report by May 14, 2018, positively.


(S. P. SINGH PARIHAR)
CHAIRMAN

Copy to:

1. Director General, : for kind information please
National Mission for Clean Ganga
(MoWR, RD & GR)
1st Floor, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium
India Gate, New Delhi - 110002
2. Joint Secretary (CP Division), : for kind information please
Ministry of Environment, Forests, &
Climate Change
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road,
New Delhi - 110013
3. District Magistrate, Haridwar : with direction to ensure closure
Office of District Magistrate and sealing of 366 industrial units
Colloctorate Roshnabad, operating without valid Consent-
Haridwar - 249403, Uttarakhand To-Operate in-compliance of
these directions please.
- ✓ 4. Incharge, IT Division, CPCB : for uploading on CPCB website



(A. SUDHAKAR)
MEMBER SECRETARY