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No. CM-13011/92/2023-LAW-HO-CPCB

07 February 2025

The Member Secretary,
SPCBs/PCCs
(as per list enclosed)

Sub: Directions under Section 18 (1) (b) of The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 regarding compliance of orders dated 30.04.2024 and 10.01.2025 in O.A. No. 581 of 2022 titled as Vikas Kumar v/s State of Haryana & Ors.

WHEREAS, the Hon'ble NGT(PB) vide order dated 30.04.2024 in O.A. No. 581 of 2022 directed CPCB to obtain and compile information from all States and UTs regarding framing of statutory/policy framework and issuance of any guidelines permitting construction of temporary bridge across river channels for carrying out mining and allied activities and also any alternative practice adopted in all the States/UTs; and

WHEREAS, in compliance of above mentioned Hon'ble NGT order dated 30.04.2024, CPCB issued a letter to Member Secretary of SPCBs/PCCs on 14.05.2024 to provide information regarding (i) The statutory/policy framework regarding construction of temporary bridge across river channels for carrying out mining and allied activities, (ii) Any guidelines permitting construction of temporary bridge across river channels for carrying out mining and allied activities, and (iii) Any alternative practice adopted by State/UT regarding construction of temporary bridge across river channels for carrying out mining and allied activities, in a format (**Annexure**).

WHEREAS, CPCB followed up the matter with SPCBs/PCCs vide email dated 06.06.2024 and 19.06.2024 and received reply only from 13 SPCBs/PCCs (Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Jammu & Kashmir, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Puducherry & West Bengal) till 31.07.2024 and the status report was filed before Hon'ble NGT. CPCB further received replies from 03 SPCBs/PCCs (Andaman & Nicobar, Goa and Odisha).

WHEREAS, the matter was heard on 10.01.2025 before Hon'ble NGT (PB) and based on responses from SPCBs/PCCs, the Hon'ble NGT (PB) further directed as below:

"82. CPCB is directed to obtain the requisite information from all the SPCBs and UTPCCs, compile and furnish the same to MoEF & CC and MoJS and also file its report with due analysis of the information so received and compiled by it before this Tribunal at least three days before the date of hearing fixed.

83. We are also constrained to direct that in case of failure to supply such information to CPCB, the Chairman and Member Secretary of the defaulting SPCB or UTPCC shall appear before this Tribunal Physically on the next date of hearing fixed to explain the reasons for their failure to such information to CPCB.”

AND WHEREAS, the Central Board, has delegated signatory powers to the Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board in 196th Board meeting dated 29th March, 2022 to issue directions under Section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to SPCBs/PCCs (s); and

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the (as per list enclosed) SPCB/PCC is hereby directed to provide the information / updated information (in case updated) in the format (**Annexure**), as requested by CPCB's letter dated 14.05.2024, in respect of your state/UT regarding permissibility of construction of the temporary bridges across river streams/channels for carrying out mining and allied activities.

The aforesaid information / updated information in the format be submitted within 15 days of issuance of these directions.


(Bharat Kumar Sharma)
Member Secretary



Copy to:

1. The Regional Directors
Central Pollution Control Board, : For follow-up with the concerned SPCBs.
(As per the list enclosed)
2. The Divisional Head –IT, CPCB, Delhi : For uploading the directions on the website.


(Bharat Kumar Sharma)
Member Secretary



Address List of Member Secretaries, SPCBs/PCCs

1.	The Member Secretary Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board D.No. 33-26-14 D/2, Near Sunrise Hospital, Pushpa Hotel Centre, Chalamvari Street, Kasturibaipet, Vijayawada- 520007 (Andhra Pradesh)	2.	The Member Secretary Arunachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board Paryavaran Bhawan, Yupia Road, PapuNalah, Naharlagun – 791110 (Arunachal Pradesh)
3	The Member Secretary Assam Pollution Control Board Bamunimaidan, Guwahati – 781021 (Assam)	4	The Member Secretary Bihar State Pollution Control Board PariveshBhawan, Plot No.N-B/2, Patliputra Industrial Area Patna-800010 (Bihar)
5.	The Member Secretary Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board Paryavas Bhawan, North Block, Sector-19 Atal Nagar, Raipur– 492 002 (Chhattisgarh)	6.	The Member Secretary Goa State Pollution Control Board Nr. Pilernc Industrial Estate, Opp. Saligao Seminary, Saligao ,Bardez,- 403511(Goa)
7.	The Member Secretary Gujarat Pollution Control Board Paryavaran Bhavan, Sector-10A, Gandhinagar– 382010 (Gujarat)	8.	The Member Secretary Haryana State Pollution Control Board C-11, Sector 6, Panchkula- 134109 (Haryana)
9	The Member Secretary Himachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board Paryavaran Bhavan, Phase III, New Shimla – 171009	10	The Member Secretary J&K State Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, Forest Complex, Gladni, Narwal, Transport Nagar, Jammu-180004 Jammu & Kashmir (J&K)
11.	The Member Secretary Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board T.A Building, HEC Campus, P.O. Dhurwa Ranchi – 834004 (Jharkhand)	12.	The Member Secretary Karnataka State Pollution Control Board Parisara Bhavan, #49, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001 (Karnataka)
13.	The Member Secretary Kerala State Pollution Control Board Plamoodu, Pattom P.O Thiruvananthapuram-695004 (Kerala)	14.	The Member Secretary Maharashtra Pollution Control Board Kalpataru Point, 3rd& 4th floor, Opp. PVR Cinema, Sion Circle (E), Mumbai- 400022 (Maharashtra)

15	The Member Secretary Manipur Pollution Control Board Lamphelpat, Imphal West D.C. Office Complex – 795004 (Manipur)	16	The Member Secretary Mizoram State Pollution Control Board New Secretariat Complex, Khatla, Thlanmual Peng, Aizwal – 796001 (Mizoram)
17	The Member Secretary Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board Arden, Lumpyngngad, Shillong – 793014 (Meghalaya)	18.	The Member Secretary Madhya Pradesh State Pollution Control Board Paryavaran Parisar, E-5 Arera Colony Bhopal – 462016 (Madhya Pradesh)
19.	The Member Secretary Nagaland State Pollution Control Board Signal Point, Dimapur - 797112 (Nagaland)	20	The Member Secretary Odisha State Pollution Control Board Paribesh Bhawan, A-118, Nilakanta Nagar, Unit –VIII, Bhubaneswar – 751012 (Odisha)
21	The Member Secretary Punjab State Pollution Control Board Nabha Road, ITI Rd, Adarsh Nagar, Prem Nagar, Patiala – 147001 (Punjab)	22	The Member Secretary Sikkim State Pollution Control Board Forest Secretariat, C Block, Deorali, Gangtok, -737102 (Sikkim)
23.	The Member Secretary Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board A-4 Institutional Area, Jhalana Doongri Jaipur – 302004. (Rajasthan)	24.	The Member Secretary Telangana State Pollution Control Board Paryavaran Bhavan A-3, Industrial Estate, Sanath Nagar, Hyderabad – 500 018 (Telangana)
25	The Member Secretary Tripura State Pollution Control Board PariveshBhawan Pt. Nehru Complex, Gorkhabasti P.O., Kunjaban, Agartala - 799006 (Tripura)	26	The Member Secretary Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board No. 76, Mount Salai, Guindy, Chennai – 600032 (Tamil Nadu)
27.	The Member Secretary Uttarakhand Pollution Control Board Gaura Devi Bhawan, 46 B IT Park Sahastradhara, Dehradun-248001 (Uttarakhand)	28.	The Member Secretary Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board Building No. TC-12V Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow– 226010. (Uttar Pradesh)

29.	The Member Secretary West Bengal Pollution Control Board Paribesh Bhavan Canteen, 10A, Sector III, Bidhan nagar, Kolkata- 700106 (West Bengal)	30.	The Member Secretary Andaman & Nicobar Islands Pollution Control Committee Department of Science & Technology Dollyganj Van Sadan, Haddo P.O., Port Blair-744102 (Andaman & Nicobar)
31.	The Member Secretary Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee Paryavaran Bhawan Madhya Marg, Sector - 19 B, Chandigarh – 160019. (Chandigarh)	32.	The Member Secretary Delhi Pollution Control Committee 4 th & 5 th Floor, ISBT Building, Kashmere Gate, Delhi - 110006.
33.	The Member Secretary Daman, Diu & Dadra Nagar Haveli Pollution Control Committee 1 st Floor, Udhog Bhavan Bhenslore, Dunetha Nani Daman, Daman – 396210	34.	The Member Secretary Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee Lakshadweep Administration Department of Science, Technology & Environment Kavarati – 682555. (Lakshadweep)
35.	The Member Secretary Ladakh Pollution Control Committee (The Administration of UT of Ladakh) Union Territory of Ladakh, Leh - 194101	36.	The Member Secretary Puducherry Pollution Control Committee Department of Science, Technology & Environment 3rd Floor, Housing Board Complex, Anna Nagar, Nellithope, Puducherry – 605 005

List of CPCB Regional Directorates

1	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, 1st & 2nd Floors, Nisarga Bhawan, A-Block, Thimmaiah Main Road, 7th D Cross, Shivanagar, Bengaluru -560 079, Karnataka	2	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, Paryavaran Parisar, E-5, Arera Colony, Bhopal - 462 016, Madhya Pradesh
3	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, BSNL Telephone Exchange, 2nd Floor, Sector -49 C, Chandigarh - 160 059	4	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, 2nd Floor, 77-A, South Avenue Road, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai - 600 058, Tamil Nadu
5	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, South End Conclave, Block 502, 5th & 6th Floor 1582, Rajdanga Main Road, Kolkata - 700 107, West Bengal	6	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, Survey No. 110, Dhankude Multi-Purpose Hall, Baner Road, Baner, Pune - 411 045, Maharashtra
7	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, Opp. VMC Ward No. 10 Office Subhanpura, Vadodara - 390 023, Gujarat	8	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, PICUP Bhawan, Ground Floor, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow - 226 010, Uttar Pradesh
9	The Regional Director, Central Pollution Control Board, Opp. Government Press, BSNL NE-I, Ground Floor, CTO Building, Shillong - 793 001, Meghalaya		

Subject: Permissibility of temporary bridge across river channels for carrying out mining and allied activities

S. No.	Information	SPCB	Mining Dept.	Irrigation Dept.
1	Statutory / Policy framework regarding construction of temporary bridge across river channels	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)
2	Any guidelines permitting construction of temporary bridge across river channels	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)
3	Any alternative practice adopted regarding construction of temporary bridge across river channels	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)	Yes / No (Document/policy/guidelines to be provided)