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To,

The Unit Head
M/s Tamilnadu Cement Corporation Ltd.
(A Govt. of Tamilnadu undertaking)
Ariyalur Cement Works
Ariyalur - 621729
Tamilnadu

Sub: Revocation of closure directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986

WHEREAS, the Central Government has notified standards for discharge of environmental pollutants from various categories of industries under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the rules framed there under; and

WHEREAS, CPCB-RD, Bangalore inspected M/s Tamilnadu Cement Corporation Ltd, Ariyalur, Tamilnadu during December 18-19, 2012 under ESS and observed non compliance w.r.t. emission norms, therefore, Notice u/s 5 of EPA, 1986 was issued to the unit on April 23, 2013 to show cause as to why the unit should not be closed down and;

WHEREAS, reply was received from the unit vide letter dt.13.05.2013 and based on that, directions u/s 5 of EPA, 1986 were issued to the unit on 24.06.2013. Also a bank guarantee of Rs. 10.00 lakhs was taken from the unit for ensuring compliance.

WHEREAS, the unit claimed full compliance of directions vide letters dated 03.05.2016 & 24.05.2016, therefore, RD-Bangalore inspected the unit during July 19-20, 2016 for verification of claims made by the unit and as non compliance was again observed, Notice u/s 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 was issued to the unit on 26.10.2016 as to why the unit should not be closed down.

WHEREAS, letter dated 04.01.2017 was sent to the unit to install online emission monitoring system and its connectivity with CPCB server, immediately.

WHEREAS, inspection was again carried out by RD-Bangalore during March 31-April 01, 2017 for verifying the compliance and observed following:

1. The unit was still not complying w.r.t. PM emission from clinker cooler I (71 mg/Nm³), clinker cooler II (66.2 mg/Nm³) and coal mill (184 mg/Nm³).
2. The unit required to ensure calibration of online continuous emission monitoring system, proper.

WHEREAS, closure direction dated 21.07.2017 was issued on the basis of above non-compliance and the bank guarantee of 10 lakhs submitted by the unit was extended upto 31.03.2018 to ensure compliance.



WHEREAS, emission reports has been submitted by the unit vide letter dated 13.12.2017 stating PM emission from Cooler I, Cooler II, Kiln I, Kiln , Cement Mill and Coal mill below revised norm (30 mg/Nm³); and

WHEREAS, the unit has been recently inspected during 28-29/12/2017 to assess compliance of the revised environmental norms by RD-Bangalore and it has been observed that the unit is complying revised emission norms. However, the inspecting team has made following recommendations for improvement:

1. The unit requires to improve house keeping all around the unit.
2. Mechanical sweepers are required for collecting spilled over materials, regularly.
3. The unit should purchase a stack monitoring kit with necessary accessories to conduct in house monitoring
4. The unit needs to develop more green belt.

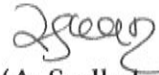
WHEREAS, a meeting was held on 16.03.2018, where a three member committee, constituted for examination and recommendation for revocation of closure direction issued by CPCB, recommended that the closure direction issued to M/s Tamilnadu Cement Corporation Ltd, Ariyalur, Tamilnadu may be revoked with the condition that the unit shall submit the performance audit report of PM controlling devices every year to CPCB.

Now THEREFORE, in view of the above and exercising the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 vide Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India Notifications No. S. O. 157 (E) of 27.02.1996 and S. O. 730 (E) dated 10.07.2002, closure direction issued to M/s Tamilnadu Cement Corporation Ltd, Ariyalur, Tamilnadu dt. 21.07.2017 is hereby revoked with the condition that the unit shall submit the performance audit report of PM controlling devices every year to CPCB and submit first such report along with compliance report on the recommendations of inspection team, as aforesaid, by 30 April 2018. In case of non-compliance, appropriate action as deemed fit under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 will be initiated against the unit without any further notice.


28/12/17
(S. P. Singh Parihar)
Chairman


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