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To

The Unit Head
M/s Century Cement Ltd
P.O. Baikunth, Raipur
Chhattisgarh-493116

Sub: Revocation of Closure Direction under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

WHEREAS, the cement plants are identified as one of the 17 categories of highly polluting industries which have been discharging environmental pollutants directly or indirectly into the ambient air and water, having potential threat to cause adverse effect on the water and air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Central Government has notified the 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, there is need to inculcate habit of self-monitoring within the industries for complying with the prescribed standards and this can be achieved by the methods like installing online emission monitoring devices; and

WHEREAS, for strengthening the monitoring and compliance through self-regulatory mechanism, online source emission and effluent monitoring systems need to be installed and operated by the industries on 'polluter pays principle'; and

WHEREAS, a direction under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 was issued on February 05, 2014 to all the State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) for installation of online emission monitoring system w.r.t. PM, NO_x and SO₂ in cement industries; and

WHEREAS, considering the requests/ representations received from industries/ industrial associations/ SPCBs / PCCs, an extension of time upto June 30, 2015 for installation of online monitoring systems was granted vide direction dated March 02, 2015 under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981; and

WHEREAS, a letter dated May 29, 2015 was issued by the Chairman, CPCB to all the SPCBs/ PCCs informing that no further extension of time will be given after June 30, 2015 and consent to operate will be withdrawn along with forfeiture of bank guarantee of non-complying units; and

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WHEREAS, concerned SPCB/ PCC issued directions under section 33A of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and section 31A of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to install the online monitoring system by June 30, 2015 and to submit bank guarantee of 100% of the cost of online emission & effluent monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, Show Cause Notice under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act 1986, was already issued on July 24, 2015 to all cement plants to show-cause as to why the unit should not be closed down, if the unit has not complied fully with the directions issued w.r.t. installation of online emission monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, as per action plan submitted for implementation of revised norms vide letter dated 15.06.2017, it has been claimed that the unit is already complying w.r.t. revised emission norms; and

WHEREAS, M/s Century Cement Ltd P.O. Baikunth, Raipur Chhattisgarh was inspected on 05/01/2018 to assess compliance of the revised environmental norms and based on the observations of the inspecting team, Show Cause Notice was issued to the unit on 27.03.2018; and



WHEREAS, the reply of Show Cause Notice was received vide letter dated 12.04.2018 and after examining the reply, on 09.05.2018 the unit was directed to close operations with immediate effect till installation of online continuous emission monitoring system with all the stacks as per CPCB guidelines was completed alongwith establishment of their connectivity with CPCB server.

WHEREAS, request was made by the unit vide letter dated 01.06.2018 to withdraw closure direction as the unit had installed online monitoring system and connected that to CPCB server.

WHEREAS, vide IT division, report dated 08.06.2018, it has been observed that ~~the~~ unit has installed online monitoring system and connectivity for emission data has been established, as per CPCB guidelines.

WHEREAS, a meeting, of the three member committee, constituted for examination and recommendation for revocation of closure direction issued by CPCB was held on 26.06.2018 and the committee recommended that the closure direction issued to M/s Century Cement Ltd P.O. Baikunth, Raipur Chhattisgarh may be revoked.

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 Century Cement Ltd P.O. Baikunth, Raipur Chhattisgarh dt. 09.05.2018 is hereby revoked. However, any expansion of existing project in future shall be intimated to CPCB/SPCB and applicability/scope of the installation of OCEMS will be subjected to further verification.


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(S.P. S. Parihar)
Chairman


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