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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE GOVT. OF INDIA

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To

M/s ATH Leder Fabrik
No. 258, Kathiwadi Road
Melvisharam,
District - Vellore , Tamilnadu - 632509

Sub.: Directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding non-compliance of notified norms.

WHEREAS, the tanneries 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 effluent and 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 effluent monitoring system w.r.t. pH, BOD, COD, TSS, and Flow parameters in Tanneries; and

WHEREAS, considering the requests/ representations received from industries/ industrial associations/ SPCBs / PCCs, an extension of time up to 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 vide 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 withdrawal of consent to operate 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, the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, vide Notifications No. S. O. 157 (E) of 27.02.1996 and S. O. 730 (E) dated 10.07.2002, has delegated the powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, to issue directions to any industry or any local body or any other authority for violations of the standards and rules notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and amendment thereof; and

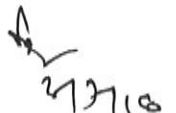
WHEREAS, your industry namely **M/s ATH Leder Fabrik , No. 258, Kathiwadi Road, Melvisharam, Distt - Vellore, Tamil Nadu** , was inspected by a team of Scientists from Regional Directorate - South, CPCB, Bangalore on 21.5.2018 based on OCEMS readings and made following observations requiring attention of CPCB:

1. The consents issued by Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) to the industry have been expired on 31.03.2018. The industry has applied for renewal of the same and it is in operation.
2. Although, the industry has installed OCEMS but failed to ensure continuous data transfer to CPCB.
3. The industry claims for achieving Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) and has installed web cams to support the claim. However, these web cams are not connected to CPCB server and their locations are also not appropriate. There is a need for installation of web cams at suitable places to ensure that entire effluent is taken for treatment, recycling and finally taken for solar evaporation. This is also required in support of claim for ZLD.
4. Housekeeping around the sludge storage area was observed as very poor. The dried sludge was stored haphazardly . There is a need to construct a guard wall around the sludge storage area to prevent away washing of sludge during rains. Further, regular transport of sludge to TSDF including its proper record keeping is also to be ensured.
5. Salts generated from crystalliser pan and solar evaporation pond are being stored in sheds. The Unit is claiming that salt generation from evaporation pond is in the tune of 4-7 tonne/month. However, based on the TDS concentration of RO reject taken for solar evaporation, it is estimated as about 16 tonnes/month, which indicates poor operation of enhanced evaporation system or probably illegal discharge of RO reject.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of powers delegated to the Chairman, CPCB under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, M/s M/s ATH Leder Fabrik , No. 258, Kathiwadi Road, Melvisharam, Distt - Vellore, Tamil Nadu, is hereby directed to explain reasons within 7 days from the date of issue of these directions as to why your unit should not be closed down for the shortcomings as observed during inspection on 21.05.2018. The unit is further directed for the following :

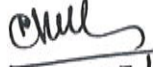
1. The unit shall immediately initiate the process for rectification of shortcomings observed during inspection on 21.05.2018 as detailed in previous para on page 2/- . All steps shall be completed within 21 days from the date of issue of these directions.
2. The unit shall run only with valid Consent from Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.
3. The unit shall submit action plan and action taken report in this respect within 7 days from the date of issue of these directions.

In case of default in compliance with above directions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate appropriate actions against the Unit, without giving any further opportunity, in accordance with provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.


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Chairman

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