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To,

M/s Ruksh International
B-6/ B-7, UPSIDC Leather Technology Park
BANTHER, Distt.-Unnao, U. P.

Sub.: Revocation of Closure Direction under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986
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WHEREAS, Tanneries and leather industries are identified as one of the Grossly 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, it is obligatory on the part of industries to install effluent treatment plants (ETPs) to comply with the effluent discharge standards as notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Rules framed there under and also to meet the consent conditions granted by State Pollution Control Board (SPCBs) / Pollution Control Committees (PCCs); and

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, vide notification S.O.157(E) of 27.02.1996 has delegated powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), to issue direction to any industry, Municipal Corporation, Municipal Council, Cantonment Board to any local or other Authority for the violation of emission and effluent standards notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986; and

WHEREAS, M/s Ruksh International, located at B-6/ B-7, UPSIDC Leather Technology Park BANTHER, Distt.-Unnao, U.P. (hereinafter referred as 'the Unit') is involved in the manufacturing operations of tannery sector; and

WHEREAS, the Unit was inspected on 31.05.2017 by the officials of Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and the following observations were made;

- i. The Unit was operational during inspection.
- ii. The Unit has valid consent upto 30.06.2017 under Water & Air Act and Hazardous Waste Authorization upto 17.05.2018.
- iii. The Unit has installed borewell and permission pending with CGWA
- iv. The Unit has installed and connected OCEMS with CPCB server.
- v. The PETP treated effluent was shown value of pH-6.2 (against norms of 6.5-9.0), TSS-362 mg/l (against norms of 600 mg/l), and **Chromium-12.3 ppm** (against norms of 2 mg/l) which is non-compliance w.r.t. effluent standards.

WHEREAS, CPCB issued Closure Directions dated 26.06.2017 under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to the Unit for online effluent monitoring system & non-compliance of the effluent discharge standard; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued Closure Directions dated August 11, 2017 under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to the Unit to close down all manufacturing operations immediately and to seek permission before resumption of operations after submitting compliance report on following point:

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- i. The Unit shall upgrade PETP and comply with the effluent discharge standards with respect to pH & Chromium

AND WHEREAS, Unit's reply vide letter dated 23.08.2017 & 28.08.2017 were examined and the following observations are made;

- i. The unit has submitted the Self-certificate, upgradation details of PETP and an undertaking on stamp paper with duly notarised.

AND WHEREAS, CPCB constituted a Three-Member Committee vide office order dated 27.09.2017 having representatives from CPCB, MoEF&CC & NMCG for examination and recommendation to revoke the closure direction issued by CPCB; and

WHEREAS, the Three-Member Committee in its meeting held on 21.11.2017 examined and recommended the Unit to resume operation with the following conditions:

- i. The Unit shall dismantle Solar evaporation for evaporation of concentrated Soak Liquor and operate on thermal evaporation only and it shall be informed to CPCB within 30 days of resumption of manufacturing operation.
- ii. The unit shall maintain log-book for Hazardous Waste Sludge disposal to TSDF.
- iii. The analysis result of the treated effluent shall also be submitted from EPA recognised laboratories within 30 days of resumption of manufacturing operation.

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the above and in exercise of the powers delegated to the Chairman, CPCB under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 the Closure directions dated 26.06.2017 & 11.08. 2017 are hereby revoked and the Unit (M/s Ruksh International, located at B-6/ B-7, UPSIDC Leather Technology Park BANTHER, Distt.-Unnao, U.P.) is permitted to resume manufacturing operations and directed to comply with the following:

1. The Unit shall get the performance of the improved PETP, including chrome effluent treatment (Chrome Recovery Plant), certified in working condition by CLRI /NPC/ IIT and submit the report to CPCB within 30 days of resumption of manufacturing operation.
2. The Unit shall dismantle Solar evaporation for evaporation of concentrated Soak Liquor and operate on thermal evaporation only and it shall be informed to CPCB within 30 days of resumption of manufacturing operation.
3. The unit shall maintain log-book for Hazardous Waste Sludge disposal to TSDF.
4. The Unit shall submit analysis report of treated effluent from laboratory recognised under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 within 30 days of resumption of operation.
5. The Unit shall take necessary action to ensure that primary treated effluent discharged by the Unit will comply the PETP standards / inlet to CETP standards and the primary treated effluent discharged by the Unit is further treated in the CETP as per CETP effluent standards notified by Central Government vide Gazette notification dated 01.01.2016 under Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986.

In case of default in compliance with the above directions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate action against the Unit (M/s Ruksh International, located at B-6/ B-7, UPSIDC Leather Technology Park BANTHER, Distt.-Unnao, U.P.), in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, without giving any further notice.

(S. P. Singh Parihar)
CHAIRMAN

Copy to:

1. **The Member Secretary**
Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board,
Building No. TC-12V, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar,
Lucknow – 226 010
With a request to ensure compliance of the directions.
2. **The Advisor (CP Division)**
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Prithvi Block, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road,
New Delhi – 110 003
For kind information pls.
3. **The District Magistrate**
Collectorate Office, Civil Lines,
Kalyani, Unnao, Uttar Pradesh 209801
For necessary action pls.
4. **The Managing Director,**
Madhyanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited
Head Office 4-A, Gokhale Marg,,
Luknow-226001
With the request to re-connect electricity / power supply.
5. **The Incharge, Regional Office (North),**
Central Pollution Control Board,
PICUP Bhawan, Ground Floor,
Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar,
Lucknow – 226 010.
For information.
6. In-charge, IT Division, CPCB
For information.
7. In-charge, WQM-II Div., CPCB, Delhi
8. Master File, WQM-II Division, CPCB Delh



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