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To,

M/s Dhampur Sugar Mills Ltd.,  
Vill & Post-Asmoli,  
Tehsil & Dist-Sambhal,  
U.P.-244304

**DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986-  
CLOSURE NOTICE THEREOF**

**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**, the Ministry of Environment & Forests, 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**, 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 thereunder and also to meet the consent conditions granted by State Pollution Control Board (SPCBs) / Pollution Control Committees (PCCs); and

**WHEREAS**, M/s Dhampur Sugar Mills Ltd., Asmoli, Sambhal, U.P. (hereinafter referred as 'the Unit') is involved in the process of sugar manufacturing from crushing of cane; and

**WHEREAS**, the unit was inspected on 08.12.2016 by the officials of CPCB and observed the following:

1. The Unit was discharging spray pond overflow outside industry premises via separate outlet other than ETP outlet into drain reaching SOT River and another dry outlet was also observed.
2. Separate outlet drain sample analysis was shown BOD- 358 mg/l and TSS- 229 mg/l, as against the prescribed limits of BOD-30 mg/l and TSS-30 mg/l.

**WHEREAS**, CPCB issued Show Cause Notice dated 16.01.2017 to the Unit; and

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**WHEREAS**, CPCB issued Closure Direction dated 29 June, 2017 under section 5 of Environment Protection Act, 1986 to the Unit to remain closed till compliance with the following directions:

1. i. The Unit shall submit the following reports to CPCB duly validated by reputed institutions like National Sugar Institute, Kanpur/Vasandada Sugar Institute, Pune /IITs within 60 days;
    - a) ETP adequacy assessment reports;
    - b) time bound action plan for ETP augmentation & upgradation upto tertiary treatment level; to comply with the standards notified G.S.R. 35 (E), MoEF&CC, January 14, 2016 for effluent disposal, & waste water conservation.
    - c) water audit and mass balance report to establish waste water generation rate;
    - d) action Plans to achieve the notified effluent discharge quality and generation standards.
    - e) irrigation management plan as per the new notified standards on January 14, 2016; and
  - ii. The Unit shall restrict the storage capacity of lined lagoon upto 15 days of effluent generation.
  - iii. The Unit shall meet the BOD-30mg/l standards for discharging any effluent on land /surface water body whereas effluent stored in lined lagoons/tanks of capacity not more than 15 days shall comply with BOD-100 mg/l standards.
2. The Unit shall stabilize the ETP by September 2017 before commencing of the new crushing season. The unit will not be allowed to resume manufacturing operations till stabilization of ETP system.
  3. The Unit shall upgrade of process technology, ETP system & adapt the best practice in a time bound manner and submit a report to CPCB before starting the next crushing season.
  4. The Unit shall seek permission from CPCB, after compliance with the above mentioned directions before resumption of manufacturing operations.

**AND WHEREAS**, the Unit submitted adequacy assessment report vide letter dt. 07.10.2017 prepared by NSI where the following recommendation have been made;

1. The Unit should install the flow meter at various units operations for the control of hot and cold-water requirement.
2. The Unit should install the flow meter for the fresh water consumption for sugarhouse processing, spray pond over flow, Co-generation, and other uses.
3. The Unit should use the cooling tower blow down, surplus condensate and DM plant reject from co-generation unit.
4. The Unit should maintain the rainwater harvesting system to reduce fresh water consumption.
5. The Unit should use the hydro-jet technology for cleaning of tubular heat exchangers.
6. The Unit should discharge from single point and block all other sources.

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**AND WHEREAS**, the unit has submitted the implementation of action plan vide letter dt. 29.09.2017 with the following implementation:

1. The Unit has installed the activated carbon filter, Dual Media filter, 260 Nos of diffuser in the aeration tank.
2. The Unit has installed the two nos. of Oil skimmers in the ETP, dosing pump for the nutrient, lime and chlorine.
3. The Unit has installed the two nos. of mixer with tank.

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

**WHEREAS**, the Three Member Committee in its meeting held on 13.10.2017 examined the adequacy report of the Unit and recommended the Unit to resume operation and shall implement the recommendations of the adequacy report and get it verified including performance assessment of the ETP system by the same institute which carried out the adequacy assessment and submit the same to CPCB within 45 days of resumption of operation; and

**WHEREAS**, CPCB issued direction dated 2.11.2017 under section 5 of Environment Protection Act, 1986 to the Unit to comply with the following directions;

1. The unit shall start its operation only after obtaining valid consent from the concerned State Pollution Control Board.
2. The unit shall submit action plan within 15 days to implement the recommendations (including the general observation) of the adequacy report within 45 days.
3. The unit shall install & Commission ETP system upto tertiary treatment level including adequate treatment system for spray pond overflow effluent in case of double sulphitation process (Brine recovery system to be installed in case of sugar refinery having Ion Exchange Process for sugar melt de-colorization).
4. The Unit having high pressure boiler (>45 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>) shall install & Commission Condensate Polishing Unit (CPU) within 45 days for treatment of condensate water to ensure its reuse & recycle within the process.
5. The unit shall restrict the effluent storage capacity to 15 days.
6. The Unit shall utilise treated effluent meeting the prescribed norms for irrigation as per the irrigation management plan validated by expert institutions namely, NSI, Kanpur/ VSI, Pune/ Agricultural Institutions.
7. The unit shall implement the observation and recommendation of the adequacy report within 45 days.

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8. The unit shall get the verification of implement status of the recommendation of adequacy report including ETP performance assessment & effluent generation assessment done by the same institute which carried out adequacy assessment and submit the report to CPCB within 45 days from date of resumption of manufacturing operations.
9. The analysis result of the treated effluent shall also be submitted within 45 days through EPA recognised laboratories.
10. If the unit fails to provide the verification report duly validated by the expert institutions, the unit shall automatically stop all its manufacturing operations after 45 days from date of resumption of manufacturing operations.

**AND WHEREAS**, the Unit (M/s Dhampur Sugar Mills Ltd., Asmoli, Sambhal, U.P.) was inspected on 10.01.2018 by officials from CPCB, Delhi and following observations were made;

1. The Unit was operational at the time of inspection.
2. The Unit was found to be bypassing untreated effluent discharge from the spray pond overflow and cooling tower blowdown being discharged outside the premises region through the drain connecting to SOT River which meets River Ganga.
3. Analysis of untreated effluent being bypassed shows BOD-577mg/l (against norms of 30mg/l), TSS-198mg/l (against norms of 30mg/l) which indicates non-compliance with the prescribed effluent discharge norms under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

It is evident that the Unit is not providing requisite treatment to the spray pond overflow and untreated effluent is being discharge into drain posing potential threat to the river water quality.

**AND NOW, THEREFORE**, in view of above observations and in exercise of the powers delegated to the Chairman, CPCB under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the unit (M/s Dhampur Sugar Mills Ltd., Asmoli, Sambhal, U.P.) is directed to **close down its manufacturing operations immediately** till compliance of the following directions;

1. The Unit is directed to close down its Sugar manufacturing operations with immediate effect and shall not resume its operations.
2. The Unit shall dismantle the bypass arrangement and stop untreated effluent discharge immediately.
3. The Unit shall install & Commission ETP system upto tertiary treatment level including adequate treatment system for spray pond overflow effluent in case of double sulphitation process (Brine recovery system to be installed in case of sugar refinery having Ion Exchange Process for sugar melt de-colorization).
4. The Unit having high-pressure boiler (>45 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>) shall install & Commission Condensate Polishing Unit (CPU) within 45 days for treatment of condensate water to ensure its reuse & recycle within the process.
5. The Unit shall restrict the effluent storage capacity to 15 days.

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6. The Unit shall utilise treated effluent meeting the prescribed norms for irrigation as per the irrigation management plan validated by expert institutions namely, NSI, Kanpur/ VSI, Pune/ Agricultural Institutions.
7. The Unit shall also comply with new standards notified G.S.R. 35 (E), MoEF&CC, January 12, 2016 for effluent disposal, waste water conservation and pollution control management.
8. The Unit shall inform to CPCB about the Closure of operation immediately.
9. The Unit shall seek permission from CPCB before resumption of manufacturing operations.

In case of default in compliance with the above directions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate action against the Unit (**M/s Dhampur Sugar Mills Ltd., Asmoli, Sambhal, U.P.**) without giving any further notice in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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**(S. P. SINGH PARIHAR)**  
CHAIRMAN

**Copy to:**

**1. The Chairman**

Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board,  
Building No. TC-12V, Vibhuthi Khand,  
Gomti Nagar, Lucknow – 226 010

: With request to ensure compliance of the directions.

**2. The Incharge (CP Division)**

Ministry of Environment, Forest & C.C  
Prithvi Block, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,  
Jorbagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003

: For kind information, please.

**3. The District Magistrate**

Sambhal, U.P.-244304

: with request to ensure closure of the unit in compliance of the directions

**4. The Superintending Engineer**

Paschimanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited  
Sambhal, U.P

: With a direction to disconnect power supply

**5. The Regional Director**

Regional Directorate  
Central Pollution Control Board, PICUP Bhawan,  
Ground Floor, Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar,  
Lucknow – 226 010

6. The In-charge, IT Division, CPCB

7. Master file/Guard file WQM II, CPCB Delhi

: For follow up and ensuring  
compliance



**(A SUDHAKAR)**  
MEMBER SECRETARY