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To,

M/s New Civil Hospital
Majura Gate, Surat
Gujrat - 395001

MODIFIED DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986

WHEREAS the Central Government has notified the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 and amendments thereof (herein after referred as BMW Rules) in suppression of the Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998, and amendments thereof, under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to improve the collection, segregation, processing, treatment and disposal of the Bio-Medical wastes in an environmentally sound management thereby, reducing the biomedical waste generation and its impact on the environment;

WHEREAS Rule 4 of BMW Rules, 2016 stipulated duties of an occupier w.r.t. segregation, collection, storage, handling, transportation, treatment & disposal of biomedical waste;

WHEREAS as per Rule 7 (1) of BMW Rules, "bio-medical waste shall be treated and disposed of in accordance with Schedule I and in compliance with the standards prescribed in Schedule II of the BMW Rules, 2016";

WHEREAS Rules 14(1) of BMW Rules, "every authorized person shall maintain records related to generation, collection, segregation, storage, transportation, treatment, disposal and or any form of handling of Bio-Medical waste in accordance with these Rules and by guidelines issued";

WHEREAS the Health Care Facility (HCF) operated by M/s New Civil Hospital Majura Gate, Surat, Gujrat has to comply with the conditions stipulated in authorization granted by the Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) for generation, collection, reception, storage, transportation, treatment and disposal of bio-medical waste as per the authorization granted under Rule 10 of the BMW Rules;

WHEREAS the HCF namely M/s New Civil Hospital Majura Gate, Surat Gujrat (the Unit) was inspected by a team comprising officials of Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and GPCB on 19/11/2010 whereby violation of provisions of the BMW Rules were observed and accordingly Show Cause Directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 were issued vide letter No. B-31011 (BMW)/30/93/2012/HWMD/13674-77 dated 08/02/2011 directing the Unit to submit a time bound action plan against each observation;

WHEREAS CPCB vide letter dated July 12, 2011 issued confirmed directions under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the unit and directed to complete time bound action plan by December 31, 2011;

WHEREAS HCF was again jointly inspected by CPCB and GPCB on 15.03.2012 and 01.05.2013 to verify the compliance status to the CPCB directions dated July 12, 2011 wherein following discrepancies were observed w.r.t.: (i) Segregation of bio-medical waste; (ii) Labeling of trolleys with bio-hazard label; (iii) Temporary storage site for bio-medical waste is not provided; (iv) Compliance to wastewater standards as per BMW Rules and records for its analysis; and (v) Periodic trainings for the healthcare staff on Biomedical Waste Management Rules. Subsequently, CPCB vide letter dated 14.02.2014 forwarded said observations to GPCB to take necessary action so as to ensure corrective actions on CPCB observations and requested to submit the Action Taken Report within a month;

WHEREAS CPCB vide letters dated 02.07.2015, 16.11.2015 and 13.05.2016 issued reminder letters to GPCB for submit the current status of action to the CPCB observations by the Unit;

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WHEREAS CPCB vide letters dated 02.07.2015, 16.11.2015 and 13.05.2016 issued reminder letters to GPCB for submit the current status of action to the CPCB observations by the Unit;

WHEREAS CPCB inspected the Unit on 13.08.2018 to verify the compliance to CPCB directions and it was observed that the Unit has complied with CPCB directions except: (i) trolleys used for intramural transportation of biomedical waste are not provided with bio-hazard label and; (ii) pre-treatment facility is not provided for the chemical liquid waste generated from the hospital.

WHEREAS the Central Government vide notification S.O. 730 (E) dated July 10, 2002, has delegated the powers under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), to issue directions to any industry or any local, or any other authority for any violation of the standards and rules relating to BMW notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and amendments made thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and in consideration of the observations on the afore-said directions mentioned in earlier paras, the Unit is hereby directed to install facility to pre-treat the liquid biological waste and liquid chemical waste generated from laboratory with separate collection and pre-treatment by neutralization/precipitation followed by disinfection prior to mixing the same with other wastewater generated by the hospital by 31.12.2018.

In case, the Unit fails to comply with above directions, CPCB will be constrained to take action as deemed fit against M/s New Civil Hospital Majura Gate, Surat, Gujrat under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and amendments made thereof without giving any further notice.

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Chairman

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