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CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
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**SPEED POST**

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To

M/s Solitaire Foods Pvt. Ltd.  
Gangol Road, Khasra no 376,  
Gangol Road, Behind Sophia School,  
Partapur, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh 250103

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

**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 rule framed there under; and

**WHEREAS**, Dairy units 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 the water; 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**, 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 emission and effluent standards and rules notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and amendment thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, it is obligatory on the part of industries to install effluent treatment plants (ETPs) to comply with the effluent discharged 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**, M/s Solitaire Foods Pvt. Ltd. Gangol Road, Khasra no 376, Gangol road, Behind Shopia School, Partapur, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh 250103 (hereafter referred to as the 'Unit') is engaged in manufacturing/processing of milk; and

**WHEREAS**, the unit was jointly inspected by CPCB and UPPCB officials on 27.03.2018 and found non-complying with respect to stipulated norms; and

**WHEREAS**, CPCB issued closure direction dated 07.05.2018 under section 5 of the Environment (protection) Act, 1986 to the unit; and

**WHEREAS**, a complaint was received on 18.06.2018 regarding continued operation of the unit in violation of CPCB closure direction under dated 07.05.2018; and

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**WHEREAS**, the unit was inspected by CPCB officials on 28.06.2018 and following observations are made:

1. The unit was found operational at the time of inspection which is in **violation of CPCB closure direction dated 07.05.2018**.
2. The unit is involved in the processing and packaging of milk.
3. The unit meets water requirements through one borewell.
4. ETP was operational at the time of inspection and comprises of an oil skimmer, dosing tanks (02), collection tank, tube settler, aeration tank, secondary clarifier and sludge drying beds.
5. The unit has installed OCEMS at the outlet of the ETP.
6. The unit has valid Air and Water consents upto 31.12.2018.
7. Two boilers were found in the unit. However, as informed by the unit representative, one boiler was sealed by UPPCB.
8. Effluent samples were collected from ETP inlet, aeration tank and outlet. The analysis report of treated effluent samples taken from outlet shows **BOD: 198 mg/l** (against the norms of 30 mg/l), **TSS: 228 mg/l** (against the norms of 150 mg/l) and **pH: 8.62** (against the norms of 6.5-8.5), which indicate that the unit is non-complying with the discharge standards.

**It is evident that the unit is discharging its partially treated/untreated effluent, thereby posing serious threat to the surface and groundwater quality.**

**AND WHEREAS**, CPCB issued closure direction dated 09.08.2018 under section 5 of the Environment (protection) Act, 1986 to the unit; and

**WHEREAS**, the unit replies dated 16.08.2018, 17.08.2018 and 30.08.2018 were examined and following observations are made:

1. The unit has submitted Adequacy report of the ETP/and upgradation done in ETP prepared by M/s Unique Engineers (India), (Water Treatment Engineers), 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Shipra Tower, Garh Road, Meerut.
2. The unit has submitted latest lab report of ETP discharge sample parameters which are very much within the prescribed limits.
3. The unit has submitted that the plant is already lying closed since 17.07.2018.
4. The unit has submitted ETP adequacy report prepared by CPPRI Saharanpur.
5. As informed by the unit that action is being taken on the suggestion of CPPRI in the adequacy report for installation of tertiary treatment system. This will take about 2-3 week time to complete the same.
6. The aeration tank has been stabilized and the present MLSS is 2000 mg/l.

**AND WHEREAS**, District Magistrate, Meerut informed vide letter dated 17.09.2018 that in compliance of CPCB directions 09.08.2018, the unit has been sealed on dated 05.09.2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the unit did not close its manufacturing operations immediately after receiving the closure direction from CPCB, which is in violation of CPCB direction dated 07.05.2018 and 09.08.2018 issued under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and for

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which appropriate legal action/environmental compensation shall be charged separately; and

**WHEREAS**, CPCB constituted a three-member committee vide office order dated 27.09.2017 having representative from CPCB, MoEF &CC and NMCG for examination and recommendation for revocation of the closure direction issued by CPCB; and

**WHEREAS**, the three-member committee in its meeting held on 05.09.2018 examined the reply of the Unit and recommended that

- (i) In view of recommendation of CPPRI adequacy report, the unit may resume operation for 03 months only.
- (ii) Within this period performance audit report of ETP by CPPRI be submitted to CPCB.
- (iii) Weekly treated effluent analysis report for 03 months is to be submitted to CPCB.

**AND NOW, THEREFORE**, in exercise of powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the following directions are being issued to M/s Solitaire Foods Pvt. Ltd. Gangol Road, Khasra no 376 Gangol road behind Sophia school, Partapur, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh 250103:

- (i) The unit shall resume manufacturing operation for 03 months only and shall inform CPCB immediately after resumption of operations.
- (ii) The unit shall submit ETP performance audit report from CPPRI to CPCB within 03 months from resumption of operation.
- (iii) The unit shall submit weekly treated effluent analysis report for 03 months from resumption of operation.
- (iv) The unit shall treat their effluent to meet the effluent discharge standards as notified under Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986.
- (v) The unit shall stop manufacturing operations after 90 days and seek permission from CPCB for resumption of operations.

In case of default in compliance with the above directions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate action without any further notice, in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

  
(A. K. MEHTA)  
CHAIRMAN

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- 3) **Regional Director,** : for information please.  
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- 4) **District Magistrate** : for information please  
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- 5) **Managing Director** : to re-connect the electricity supply to the  
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- 6)  I/c IT division, CPCB, Delhi : for uploading the direction at CPCB  
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MEMBER SECRETARY

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