

SPEED POST

IPC-V-SSI/Direction/ 11049

October 08, 2018

To,

M/s Prabhu Coke Manufacturing Co.
Bhainphore, P.O. - K. G. Ashram
Dhansar
Dhanbad, Jharkhand

Sub: Directions under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, in the matter of Air Pollution caused by M/s Prabhu Coke Manufacturing Co. Dhanbad, Jharkhand - Show cause notice thereof

Sir,

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment and Forest, 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) Act, 1986 and amendment thereof; and

WHEREAS, upon receiving a complaint against M/s Prabhu Hardcoke in Dhanbad, Jharkhand, inspection was conducted by a team from the Regional Directorate, Kolkata, CPCB and conducted stack monitoring of the unit on 14.10.2017. The inspection team made following observations:

- (i) Unit was found operational during the inspection with valid consent upto 31.03.2020.
- (ii) Unit was producing Hard Coke having total capacity 14580 TPA as per Consent to Operate.
- (iii) The basic raw material is coal, which is crushed mechanically and thereafter it is charged into ovens for carbonization followed by cooling for making hard coke.
- (iv) Unit was emitting thick black smoke during charging the ovens and after stabilized condition.
- (v) The coal crushing unit is attached with the Bag filters, but during the inspection dense fugitive emission was observed coming out from the coal crushing unit due to non operation of Bag Filters and causing huge air pollution in vicinity of the area.
- (vi) The analysis result of stack monitoring clearly indicated that the unit is violating the stipulated norms for PM i.e. 150 mg/ Nm³. As per the analysis report, emission of Particulate Matter (PM) from the stack was found 238 mg/ Nm³ against notified standards of 150 mg/ Nm³.

WHEREAS, based on above observations and the stack monitoring results, CPCB issued closure direction to the unit on 10.11.2017; and

WHEREAS, the above direction of CPCB was challenged in the Hon'ble High Court of Jharkhand, Ranchi (W.P (C) No. 6907 of 2017; M/s Prabhu Coke Manufacturing Co. Dhanbad Vs Central Pollution Control Board and ors) and the Hon'ble Court passed order dated 07.08.2018 directing CPCB to issue fresh order after providing due opportunity of hearing to the petitioner strictly following the procedure prescribed under Rule 4 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in compliance of the order of Hon'ble High Court Jharkhand dated 07.08.2018, you are hereby given an opportunity to show cause as to why the unit (M/s Prabhu Coke Manufacturing Co.) should not be closed. The reply shall be submitted within 15 days from the date of receipt of this notice.


(S.P. Singh Parihar)
Chairman

Copy to,

1. The Chairman
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(Prashant Gargava)
Member Secretary