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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE GOVT. OF INDIA

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To

M/s Aso Cement Ltd.
Gopali, P.O. Salua
P.S. Kharagpur,
Distt- West Midinapore
West Bengal

Sub: Revocation of closure directions issued under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding installation of on-line effluent and emission monitoring system

Ref.:

1. Notice under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding installation of on-line effluent and emission monitoring system dated July 24, 2015.
2. Closure direction issued to the unit under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 dated 27.07.2016

WHEREAS, cement plants are identified as one of the 17 categories of highly polluting industries, discharging environmental pollutants directly or indirectly into the ambient air and water and having potential threat to cause adverse effect on the water and air quality; and

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, there is need to inculcate habit of self-monitoring within the industries for complying with the prescribed standards and this can be achieved by the methods like installing online emission monitoring devices; 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

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WHEREAS, directions under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 were issued on February 05, 2014 to all the State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) for installation of online emission monitoring systems w.r.t. PM, NO_x and SO₂ in cement industries ; and

WHEREAS, considering the requests/ representations received from industries/ industrial associations/ SPCBs / PCCs, an extension of time up to June 30, 2015 for installation of online monitoring systems was granted vide directions dated March 02, 2015 under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981; and

WHEREAS, a letter dated May 29, 2015 was issued by the Chairman, CPCB to all the SPCBs/ PCCs informing that no further extension of time will be given after June 30, 2015 and consent to operate will be withdrawn along with forfeiture of bank guarantee of non-complying units; and

WHEREAS, concerned SPCBs/PCCs issued directions under section 33A of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and section 31A of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to 17 category of highly polluting industries to install online monitoring systems by June 30, 2015 and submit bank guarantee of 100% of the cost of online emission & effluent monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, Show Cause Notice under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act 1986, was issued on July 24, 2015 to all cement plants to show-cause as to why the unit should not be closed down, if the unit has not complied fully with the directions issued w.r.t. installation of online emission monitoring system by June 30, 2015. Further, it was also directed to submit documentary evidence regarding status of installation and connectivity; and

WHEREAS, no confirmed information was received from the unit in above context, therefore, on 27.07.2016, direction was issued to the unit to close down all of its operations with immediate effect till online emission monitoring system are installed in stacks as per guidelines of CPCB and the same are uplinked with CPCB server; and


WHEREAS, request was made by the unit vide letter dated 03.08.2017 to withdraw closure direction as it has installed online emission monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, the matter has been examined in CPCB and it is observed that the unit has installed online emission monitoring system and its connectivity with CPCB Server has also been established. The unit is a cement grinding unit and emission data of PM is being submitted by it online.

Now THEREFORE, in view of the above and exercising the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 vide Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India Notifications No. S. O. 157 € of 27.02.1996 and S. O. 730 € dated 10.07.2002, the closure directions issued to **M/s Aso Cement Ltd, Gopali, P.O. Salua, Distt-West Midinapore, West Bengal** on 27.07.2016 are hereby revoked subject to following conditions :

1. The plant shall start operation only after getting consent order from West Bengal Pollution Control Board.
2. Any expansion of the existing project shall be intimated to CPCB and West Bengal Pollution Control Board and applicability and scope of the installation of OCEMS will be subjected to proposed expansion activities.
3. Actions as per the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010 shall be launched against the industry as it has not immediately complied with the closure directions issued by CPCB on 27.07.2016 and its production activities were continued till 03.08.2017.

In case of any non-compliance, appropriate action as deemed fit under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 will be initiated against the unit without any further notice.


23/08/2017
(S. P. S. Parihar)
Chairman





Copy for information to:

1. The Chairman
West Bengal Pollution Control Board
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Salt Lake City, Kolkata - 700 091
2. The District Magistrate
District - West Midinapore
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3. The Chief Engineer (Distribution) : With a request to resume power supply to the unit.
West Bengal State Electricity
Distribution Company Ltd.
Vidyut Bhawan, Bidhan Nagar
Block- DJ, Sector - II
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4. The Additional Secretary(AKM)-CP Division
Ministry of Environment, Forests
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5. The Regional Director
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Central Pollution Control Board
502, Southend Conclave
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Kolkata - 700 107
6. The Divisional Head IT, CPCB



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