

SPEED POST

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M/s. Avra Laboratories Pvt Ltd.,
Plot No: A-21 . Road No: 10, IDA Nacharam,
Telangana 500076

Sub.: Directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986-regarding

WHEREAS, the Pharmaceutical industries are identified as one of the 17 categories of highly polluting industries which have been discharging environmental pollutants directly or indirectly into the ambient air and water, 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 thereunder; 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 effluent and emission monitoring devices; and

WHEREAS, the Unit was randomly selected for inspection under OCEMS surveillance, based on SMS alert generated from the OCEMS installed at the Unit; and

WHEREAS, pharmaceutical Unit M/s. Avra Laboratories Pvt Ltd., Plot No: A-21 . Road No: 10, IDA Nacharam, Telangana (herein after referred to as the Unit) has installed Online Continuous Effluent Monitoring System (OCEMS) and provided connectivity to CPCB server; and

WHEREAS, the Unit was inspected by a team of official(s) from the CPCB Regional Directorate Bangalore on December 13, 2019 to assess the adequacy of the existing pollution control measures and online effluent monitoring system, observed as following:

1. The Unit has consent to operate under the Water Act & the Air Act and authorization under HW rules valid upto 30.09.2022 however Environment Clearance (EC) has not been obtained by the Unit.
2. The Unit is discharging untreated waste water (Boiler blow down, domestic waste water etc.) having COD = 651 mg/l and BOD = 442 mg/l outside the premises through Storm Water drain.
3. The Unit is pumping untreated waste water from canteen collection sump on land inside the premises. The analysis report of this waste water indicate pH = 4.9, TSS = 1565 mg/l, COD = 35,860 mg/l and BOD = 12,000 mg/l.
4. The flow meters installed at ETP outlet of HTDS and LTDS streams are malfunctioning and require calibration.
5. The Unit has not provided a designated Hazardous Waste (HW) Storage Shed to store all Hazardous Wastes generated and proper records have not been maintained for HW generation, storage and disposal.

WHEREAS, as per CPCB IT, Division report dated January 15, 2020 the Unit has not provided OCEMS connectivity to CPCB server w.r.t LTDS Flow meter and Web Camera; 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 the standards and rules notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and amendment thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Unit (M/s. Avra Laboratories Pvt Ltd., Telangana) is directed to

close down all operational activities with immediate effect till the following directions are compiled:

1. The Unit shall carry out adequacy assessment of Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) from a reputed government institute and accordingly upgrade & operate ETP properly so as to achieve prescribed standards.
2. The Unit shall send all untreated LTDS effluent to designated CETP after pre-treatment.
3. The Unit shall stop discharging effluent on land, which is in violation of consent conditions.
4. The Unit shall rectify flow meters installed at ETP outlet of HTDS and LTDS streams and calibrate within schedule time to prevent erroneous data.
5. The Unit shall provide a designated storage shed for the storage of Hazardous Waste.
6. The Unit shall maintain proper records for hazardous waste generation, storage & disposal in accordance to the Hazardous & Other Waste & Management Rules, 2016.
7. The Unit shall provide connectivity for online data of flow at LTDS outlet and camera to CPCB server.
8. The Unit shall ensure uninterrupted connectivity of OCEMS data with CPCB server for all the parameters.

In case of failure to comply with the said directions necessary action as deemed fit under the provision of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 will be taken by Central Pollution Control Board.


(S.P. Singh Parihar)
Chairman

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2. Chairman and Managing Director
Southern Power Distribution
Company of telangana Limited;
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:To disconnect the industrial
electricity supply of the Unit,
allowing the supply only for Mint
domestic & security purpose.
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