



File No. A-14011/1/2015-UPC-I

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The Chief Executive Officer
Delhi Jal Board
Govt. Of N.C.T. of Delhi
Varunlaya Ph-II, Karol Bagh,

DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986 FOR SEWAGE MANAGEMENT OF SCATTERED COLONIES BETWEEN PALLA TO WAZIRABAD

Whereas, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India, vide notification S.O. 157(E) of 27.02.1996 has delegated powers vested under section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) to the chairman, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), to issue direction to any Industry, municipal Corporation, Municipal council, cantonment Board to any local or other Authority for the violation of emission and effluent standards notified among others, under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and other standards and norms; and

Whereas, sewage is a major cause for poor water quality and adversely impacts human health and aquatic life. The discharge of untreated, partially treated and treated sewage not meeting standards is further adding to the problem of water pollution and very sizeable gap exist in generation and treatment of sewage at Delhi; and

Whereas, the Central Government has notified the General Discharge standards of Environmental Pollutants from various sources including municipal wastewater under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the rules framed there under (schedule VI); and

Whereas, CPCB has issued directions to Delhi Pollution Control Committee vide letter no. No. A-19014/43/06-MON dated 21/04/2015 under section 18(1) b of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to direct Delhi Jal Board to develop infrastructure for sewage management and operate the STPs within stipulated norms; and

Whereas, CPCB has issued directions to Delhi Jal Board vide letter No A-14011/1/2015-MON/16476 dated 19/02/2019 under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding non-complying sewage treatment plants installed in Delhi; and

Whereas, CPCB had issued Show Cause Notice to Delhi Jal Board vide letter no. No. A-14011/1/2015-MON dated 19.02.2019 under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to explain the reasons as to why action should not be taken against DJB including levying of Environmental Compensation; and

Whereas, in compliance of the direction of the Yamuna Pollution Monitoring Committee appointed by the Hon'ble NGT , a team of the officials from Central Pollution Board (CPCB) and CSIR - National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-NEERI) monitored water quality of river Yamuna at Wazirabad, Palla village, Sonipat, Panipat and Yamuna Nagar and drains (Ditch drain, Panipat drain, Drain No. 8 and Drain No. 2) on December 24, 26 & 27, 2018, to assess and identify the sources of pollution in river Yamuna. Based on the inspection made, team made following observations:

1. Scattered habitations (Jagatpur Khadar Village, Milan Vihar, etc) were sited between Palla to Wazirabad on the flood plain of river Yamuna.
2. There is a possibility of discharge of wastewater of said habitations to river Yamuna through temporary arrangements (tankers).
3. Discharge of untreated wastewater of these scattered colonies disposed off into river Yamuna make water unfit to meet the primary water quality criteria - Bathing Quality; and

Whereas, CPCB facilitating sampling of vegetables and fruits between the stretch of Palla to Wazirabad jointly with laboratories of FSSAI on 16.04.2019. During inspection, team has identified drain discharging wastewater from Scattered habitations (Jagatpur Khadar Village, Milan Vihar, etc) to river Yamuna. Team also spotted tankers disposing wastewater from septic tank directly to flood bank of river Yamuna. Brief report is attached as Annexure.

Now, therefore, in view of the above observations and in exercise of powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, following directions are issued for compliance:

- i. To plan Sewerage Management of scattered colonies between Palla to Wazirabad.

- ii. To set up vigilance system to stop all such discharges or disposal through tankers immediately.
- iii. Penalise defaulters indulging in illegal activities leading to discharge of wastewater into river Yamuna.

The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) shall submit compliance report/time bound action plan regarding Sewage Management plan of Scattered habitations (Jagatpur Khadar Village, Milan Vihar, etc) to CPCB before May 20, 2019.


(S.P. Singh Parihar)
Chairman

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**BRIEF INSPECTION REPORT ON DISCHARGE OF SEWAGE AND
WASTEWATER FROM SEPTIC TANK IN RIVER YAMUNA (PALLA TO
WAZIRABAD)**

Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) along with laboratories of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has carried out sampling of vegetables along the bank of river Yamuna on 16/04/2019; to check the quality of vegetables affected by the water of river Yamuna.

During inspection, team has identified drain discharging wastewater from Scattered habitations (Jagatpur Khadar Village, Milan Vihar, etc) to river Yamuna. Team also spotted tankers disposing wastewater from septic tank directly to flood bank of river Yamuna.

Farmers informed that the tankers discharged untreated waste into this drain or open land or sometime in river Yamuna. Figure 1 - 3 depicts the discharge of untreated effluent by the tanker and the drain which meets into river Yamuna

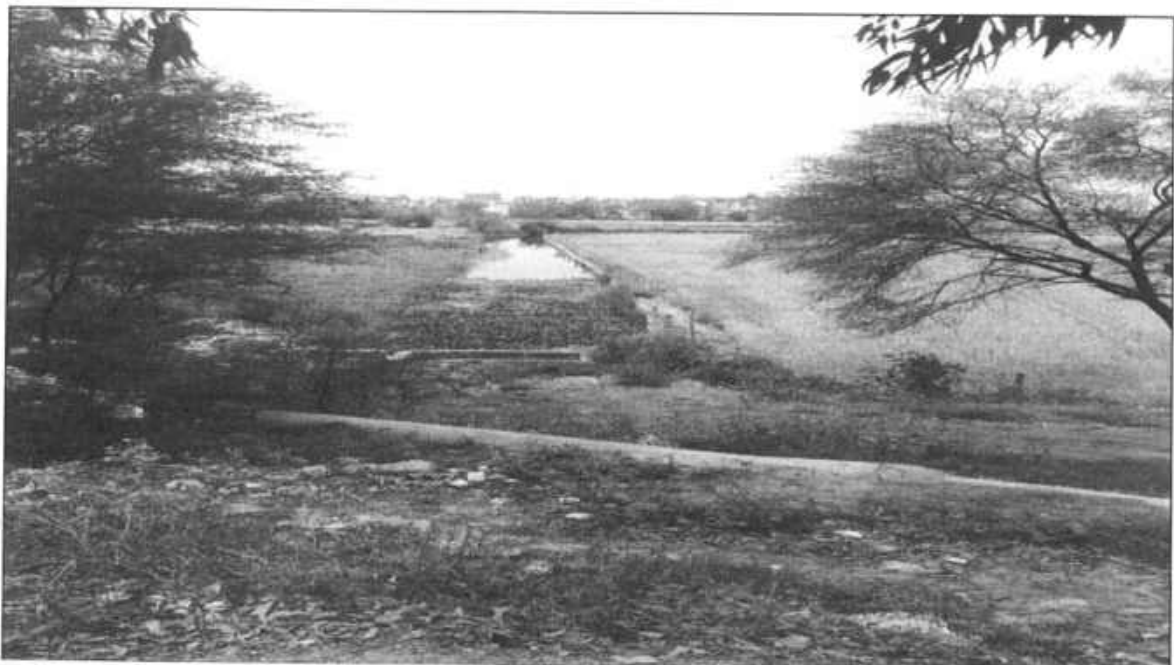


Figure 1: Drain identified carrying wastewater to River Yamuna at Palla Village



Figure 2: Untreated Effluent Discharge into Drain



Figure 3: Tanker discharge the untreated waste from septic tank into open land