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To

The Chairman
Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board,
Paryavaran Parisar, Sector E-5, Arera Colony,
Bhopal – 462 016, Madhya Pradesh

REVOCATION OF DIRECTIONS UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986 TO ENSURE LIFTING AND DISPOSAL OF HAZARDOUS WASTE LYING IN THE PREMISES OF PLOT NO. 61- B, DOSIGAON INDUSTRIAL AREA, RATLAM

WHEREAS, the Central Government has notified the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement), Rules, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as HOWM Rules), under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, in supersession of the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008, for safe and environmental sound management of hazardous and other wastes;

WHEREAS, as per Rule 4(2) of the Hazardous and Other Waste (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016, the occupier shall be responsible for safe and environmentally sound management of hazardous and other wastes;

WHEREAS, the records indicate that the erstwhile closed industry M/s Sajjan India Limited had stored about 1147 MT of hazardous waste improperly under a damaged shed at Plot No. 61-B, Dosigaon Industrial area, Ratlam over the last 15 years;

WHEREAS, the shed storing hazardous waste was completely damaged resulting into spillage to adjacent area and the run-off from waste during monsoon period has caused contamination of soil, surface water and groundwater in the surrounding area. The waste lying in open damaged shed is continued to cause contamination of soil and groundwater in every passing monsoon over the years without any remedial measures;

WHEREAS Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as MPPCB) is the prescribed authority to take action against the Responsible party that is M/s Sajjan India Limited for causing damages to the environment due to improper management of hazardous wastes as per Rule 23 of HOWM Rules, 2016;

WHEREAS, CPCB in exercise of the powers vested under the Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, issued following directions to MPPCB vide letter dated 11/04/2017:

- (i) MPPCB shall engage a TSDF operator for lifting and disposal of openly stored hazardous waste including the impacted soil from Plot No. 61-B, Dosigaon Industrial Area, Ratlam by 15/5/2017;
- (ii) MPPCB shall make payments to the TSDF operator towards disposal charges from its own financial resources and may recover such costs along with interest from the Responsible Party that is M/s Sajjan India Limited;

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(iii) MPPCB shall submit the action taken report for the direction at points (i) & (ii), within 45 days of this directions.

WHEREAS, MPPCB vide letter dated 05/02/2019 submitted Action taken report;

WHEREAS, a team of officials from CPCB, inspected the site on 01/03/2019 to verify compliance to aforesaid directions and observed that:

- (i) Openly stored hazardous waste along with impacted soil at Plot No. 61-B, Dosigaon Industrial Area, Ratlam has been lifted and disposed through CHWTSDf, Pithampur, MP, and
- (ii) Hazardous waste storage shed structure at Plot No. 61-B Dosigaon Industrial Area, Ratlam was removed.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers vested under the Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, directions issued by CPCB vide dated 11/04/2017 are hereby, revoked. However, MPPCB shall continue to take necessary steps for remediation of soil and groundwater in Dosigaon Industrial Area, Ratlam, Madhya Pradesh.


(S. P. S. Parihar)
Chairman

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