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CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय भारत सरकार
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE GOVT OF INDIA

F. No. B-31011/BMW (15916)/2023/WMD-I

31 January, 2024

To,

M/s Rhythm BioCare,
Sr. No. 331/1, Vill. Vedencha,
Tal. Palanpur, Dist. Banaskantha.,
Gujarat - 385001

DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986 AND SHOW CAUSE NOTICE – FOR NON-COMPLIANCE TO BIOMEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES, 2016.

WHEREAS, the Central Government has notified the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 and amendments thereof (herein after referred as BMW Rules, 2016) in suppression of the Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998, and amendments thereof, under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to improve the collection, segregation, processing, treatment and disposal of the Bio-Medical wastes in an environmentally sound management thereby, reducing the biomedical waste generation and its impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, Rule 5 of BMW Rules, 2016 stipulate duties of the operator of Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBWTF) to ensure treatment and disposal of biomedical waste in line with provisions of said Rules; and

WHEREAS, as per Rule 7 (1) of BMW Rules, 2016, the bio-medical waste is required to be treated and disposed-off in accordance with Schedule I and in compliance with the standards prescribed in Schedule II of the BMW Rules, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Rule 14 (1) of BMW Rules, 2016 stipulate that every authorized person is required to maintain records related to generation, collection, segregation, storage, transportation, treatment, disposal and or any form of handling of Bio-Medical waste in accordance with these Rules and guidelines issued by CPCB"; and

WHEREAS, the CBWTF namely M/s Rhythm BioCare, Sr. No. 331/1, Vill. Vedencha, Tal. Palanpur, Dist. Banaskantha., Gujarat (the Unit) was inspected by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on 12.10.2023 wherein following non-compliances were observed:

- As per analysis result of treated effluent, parameters namely COD (6718 mg/l), BOD (1792 mg/l), O&G (60 mg/l) and TSS (277 mg/l) found exceeding the prescribed standards under BMW Rules, 2016.
- It was observed during the inspection that chemical strip test was not being used to check efficacy of autoclave and record for the same is not maintained.
- It is observed that large quantity of incinerator ash is being stored at incinerator storage area.

WHEREAS, as per the CPCB guidelines for "Imposition of Environmental Compensation Charges (ECC) against Healthcare Facilities (HCFs) and Common Biomedical Waste Treatment Facilities (CBWTFs)", the Environment Compensation for above mentioned non-compliances at S. No. i) at the rate of ₹ 3,000/- per day; and

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WHEREAS, the Central Government vide notification S.O. 730 (E) dated July 10, 2002, has delegated the powers under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), to issue directions for violation of the standards and rules relating to Biomedical Waste Management notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986; and

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Unit is hereby directed to:

- a. Augment the Effluent Treatment Plant so that effluent discharge should meet standards prescribed under BMWM Rules, 2016 immediately;
- b. Conduct chemical strip test on regular basis to check efficacy of autoclave and its maintain record, as required under BMWM Rules, 2016.
- c. Make necessary arrangement and ensure disposal of incinerator ash through authorised Hazardous Waste TSDF immediately.
- d. Submit the action taken report on above action points at S. No. a. to c. within a week from the issue of this direction; and
- e. Show Cause as to why Environmental Compensation Charges of ₹ 3,000/- per day should not be imposed, as per CPCB guidelines, for violations as observed during the inspection conducted on 12.10.2023 and submit the reply within 15 days from the issue of this directions.

In case the Unit found non-complying with above directions, CPCB will be constrained to take legal proceedings against M/s Rhythm BioCare, Sr. No. 331/1, Vill. Vedencha, Tal. Palanpur, Dist. Banaskantha., Gujarat, as deemed fit under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.


(Tanmay Kumar)
Chairman

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