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March 08, 2024

To,

M/s Vitthalsai SSK Ltd,
(Leased to M/s Shetkari Sahakari
Sakhar Karkhana Ltd., At-Killari,
Tq-Ausa, Dist-Latur-413516),
Maharashtra (Sugar Mill)

DIRECTION (REVOKE) UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986

WHEREAS, Sugar 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, there is need to promote self-regulation and self-promotion 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, for strengthening the monitoring and compliance through self-regulation and self-promotion within the industries, a direction under section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 was issued on February 05, 2014 to all the State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) for installation of online effluent /emission monitoring system w.r.t. pH, BOD, CCD, TSS, Flow parameters in 17 categories of industries including Sugar; 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 direction 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, in follow up to the directions issued to the SPCBs/PCCs, CPCB had issued show cause notices under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 dated 24.07.2015 to 602 Sugar industries, including M/s Vitthalsai SSK Ltd, (Leased to M/s Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd., At-Killari, Tq-Ausa, Dist-Latur-413516), Maharashtra (Sugar Mill) (*hereinafter referred to as 'the Unit'*), as to why the Unit should not be closed down if the Unit has not complied fully with the direction

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issued w.r.t. installation of online emission & effluent monitoring system by June 30, 2015. It was further directed to submit documentary evidence regarding status of installation and connectivity of online emission & effluent monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, no reply was filed by the Unit in response of the said show cause notice; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued direction dated 22.03.2016 under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to the Unit to not to undertake any manufacturing operations till installation and commissioning of online continuous effluent monitoring system (OCEMS) and providing connectivity of data to CPCB/SPCB server, and to submit compliance to CPCB within 15 days on the receipt of the direction; and

WHEREAS, the Unit has responded to the above said closure direction vide letter dated 12.12.2023 and email dated 27.12.2023 and informed to have complied with the directions regarding installation & connectivity of online continuous effluent monitoring system (OCEMS) to CPCB and the same was verified by IT Division of CPCB on 08.01.2024; and


WHEREAS, it has been observed that the Unit has not closed its manufacturing operations in the previous crushing seasons which is non-compliance of the closure direction dated 22.03.2016 issued by CPCB under section 5 of E (P) Act, 1986 and for which action, as per law/EC policy, shall be initiated separately; and

WHEREAS, CPCB constituted a three-member committee vide office order dated 01.01.2024 having representative(s) from CPCB and MOEF&CC for examination and recommendation for revocation of closure direction issued by CPCB; and

WHEREAS, the Committee in its meeting held on 05.02.2024 reviewed the compliance made by the Unit and based on the submitted supporting documents, the committee recommended that the Unit may be allowed to resume its manufacturing operation with certain conditions; and

NOW therefore, in view of the compliance made by the Unit to the direction issued by CPCB and in exercise of powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, **the Unit M/s Vitthalsai SSK Ltd**, (Leased to M/s Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd., At-Killari, Tq-Ausa, Dist-Latur-413516), Maharashtra (**Sugar Mill**) is hereby allowed to resume its manufacturing operations subject to following conditions:

1. The Unit shall be permitted to operate for three months from the date of commencement of operation.



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2. The Unit shall obtain the valid Consents under the Water Act & Air Act, and Authorization under Hazardous & other Wastes Rules, 2016 issued by MPCB and shall not operate without valid Consents.
3. The Unit shall ensure uninterrupted data connectivity of OCEMS with CPCB server after commencement of operation of the plant.
4. The Unit shall ensure periodic calibration of the analysers as per Standard Operating Procedure/recommendations of the supplier and submit the calibration results.
5. The Unit shall intimate the date of resumption of manufacturing operation to CPCB.
6. The Unit shall submit RT-8c form for the crushing season 2016-17 to 2021-22 within 60 days.

In case of default in compliance with the above conditions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate further action against the Unit including withdrawal of the revocation direction, in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, without giving any further notice.


(TANMAY KUMAR)
CHAIRMAN

Copy to:

1. **The Member Secretary,** : For information & ensuring
 Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, compliance of above
 2nd, 3rd & 4th Floor, direction please.
 Opp. Cine Planet, Near Sion Circle,
 Sion (E), Mumbai- 400022
2. **The Regional Director,** : To carryout surprise verification
 Regional Directorate, of compliances, as above, upon s
 Central Pollution Control Board, tart of production and send the ve
 Survey No. 110, Dhankude Multi rification report within 75 days of s
 Purpose Hall, Baner Road, Baner, tart of production to HO Delhi, ple
 Pune - 411045 ase.
3. **The Director (CP Division)** : For information please.
 Ministry of Environment, Forest &
 C.C,
 Prithvi Block, Indira Paryavaran
 Bhawan,
 Jorbagh Road, New Delhi - 110 003

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4. **The District Magistrate,** : For information please.
Collectorate Office
District Latur,
Maharashtra- 431601
5. **The Superintendent Engineer,** : With a request to restore
Maharashtra State Electricity Distr electric power supply of the
ibution, Unit
Vidhyut Bhawan, Sathe
Chowk, Dist. Nanded- 431602
6. ✓ The Divisional Head, : For uploading the direction o
IT Division, CPCB n CPCB website
7. The Divisional Head, : For information please.
IPC-VI Division, CPCB


(BHARAT KUMAR SHARMA)
MEMBER SECRETARY