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To,
M/s Shree Bhawani Paper Mills Pvt. Ltd.,
Industrial Area-1, Sultanpur Road,
Raebareli,
Uttar Pradesh- 229010

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

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 there under; and

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, vide notification S.O.157(E) of 27.02.1996 has delegated powers vested under Section 5 of the 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 under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Pulp and Paper Industries (30 TPD and above) are identified as one of the 17 categories of highly polluting industries which have been discharging environmental pollutants directly or indirectly into the ambient water and air, having potential threat to cause adverse effect of the water and air quality; and

WHEREAS, it is obligatory on the part of Industries to install Effluent Treatment Plants (ETPs) to comply with the effluent discharge standards as notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Rules framed there under and also to meet the consent conditions granted by State Pollution Control Board (SPCBs) / Pollution Control Committees (PCCs); and

WHEREAS, M/s Shree Bhawani Paper Mills Pvt. Ltd., Industrial area - 1, Sultanpur road, Raebareli, Uttar Pradesh (hereinafter referred as "the Unit") is involved in production of paper using waste paper; and

WHEREAS, there is need to inculcate habit of self-monitoring mechanism 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)

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Act, 1981 was issued on February 05, 2014 to all the State Pollution Control Board Boards (SPCBs)/Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) for installation of online emission and effluent monitoring systems w.r.t. pH, Flow, BOD, COD, TSS & AOX parameters in Pulp and Paper industries; and

WHEREAS, it was clarified that flow meter and web camera may be installed in case of Units with zero liquid discharge (ZLD) by March 31, 2015 vide guidelines uploaded on website of CPCB dated November 7, 2014; and

WHEREAS, considering the requests/representations received from industries/industrial associations/SPCBs/PCCs, an extension of time upto June 30, 2015 for installation of online monitoring system 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, a letter dated May 29, 2015 was issued by the Chairman CPCB to all the SPCBs/PCCs informing that no further extension of time will be given after June 30, 2015 and withdrawal of consent to operate along with forfeiture of bank guarantee of non-complying Units will be the only option; and

WHEREAS, concerned SPCBs/PCC have issued directions under section 33 (A) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and section 31 (A) of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to install the online monitoring system by June 30, 2015 and to submit bank guarantee of 100% of the cost of online emission and effluent monitoring system; and

WHEREAS, CPCB held stakeholder consultations with industrial associations and SPCB/PCCs on 06.08.2014, 19.09.2014, 29.09.2014, 08.10.2014, 16.10.2014, 09.01.2015, 08.04.2015, and 16.06.2015 regarding time bound implementation of installation of these devices; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued show-cause notice for closure to the Unit vide letter dated 24.07.2015 under section 5 of the Environmental Protection Act, 1986 to the Unit for compliance of the following:

1. The Unit shall submit documentary evidence regarding status of installation of online effluent monitoring system.
2. The Unit shall submit the status on connectivity for submission of online 24x7 monitoring data to SPCBs/PCCs and CPCB
3. The Unit shall submit the details as per Annexure-I through
 - a. E-mail id. cems.cpcb@nic.in
 - b. Uploading the data on the link provided on CPCB Website (www.cpcb.nic.in) and
 - c. By speed post to the Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board.

AND WHEREAS, the Unit had not submitted documentary evidence/reasonable time bound plan for installation of online monitoring system to CPCB and the Unit was reported to be closed; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued directions dated 29.03.2016 under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Unit to remain closed and not to resume their manufacturing operations till installation & commissioning of online effluent monitoring system, providing connectivity for submission of online 24x7 monitoring data to SPCBs/PCCs & CPCB server and obtaining valid consent under Water Act, Air Act and Authorization under Hazardous Waste Rules from State Pollution Control Board. The Unit was also directed to seek permission from CPCB before resumption of operation.

AND WHEREAS, the Unit vide their replies dated 03.06.2024 & 28.06.2024 informed that, it has installed new OCEMS for measurement of pH, TSS, BOD & COD at ETP outlet along with documentary evidence for the same i.e., purchase order, installation report, calibration report, photographic evidence, and screenshot of the OCEMS connectivity with CPCB server. The Unit also requested for revocation of the CPCB remain closed direction dated 29.03.2016.

AND WHEREAS, the Unit submitted the following prerequisite documents and requested for revocation of closure direction dated 29.03.2016 as per the CPCB's "Standard Protocol for Conducting Inspections, Report Preparation & Action, March, 2023":

- a. A duly notarized letter dated 25.07.2024 w.r.t. the status of compliance to CPCB directions dated 29.03.2016 and informed following:
 1. The Unit is closed from 01.04.2015, as the case was under Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT). Subsequently, new promoters purchased the Unit through auction process of NCLT.
 2. The Unit have installed two PDF for close loop fiber & water recovery and jet shower with 0.7 mm hole size to reduce freshwater consumption.
 3. The Unit has installed fiber preparation line, and the Unit will use high consistency pulper for making pulp from wastepaper.
 4. The Unit have installed DAF, hill screen, B2 thickener and decanter for fiber recovery before ETP.
 5. The Unit has installed open channel ultrasonic flow meter at final outlet of ETP to measure waste discharge flow.
 6. The Unit has installed electromagnetic flowmeter on borewell and also installed water level telemetry recorder for measurement of ground water level.
 7. The Unit has installed ETP comprising of equalization tank, chemical dosing system, primary clarifier, aeration tank, secondary clarifier, multi grade filter, activated carbon filter and drum thickener (02 nos.) for sludge handling, which is ready for operation. The Unit also submitted photographic evidence for the same.
 8. The Unit has a fully equipped laboratory for effluent testing with BOD incubator, COD digester, TDS tester, pH tester, muffle furnace, oven, hot plate etc.
 9. The Unit has installed new OCEMS to monitor treated effluent discharge parameters- pH, flow, TSS, BOD & COD and the same is connected with CPCB and SPCB server for 24x7. Connectivity for online data is already established with CPCB server. The Unit also submitted documentary evidence regarding OCEMS installation and connectivity with CPCB server i.e., purchase order, installation report, calibration

report, photographic evidence, and screenshot of the OCEMS connectivity with CPCB server.

b. A self – certificate of closure compliance to CPCB.

AND WHEREAS, as per verification done by IT Division, CPCB on 30.08.2024, the OCEMS of the Unit was found connected with CPCB server for industrial effluent parameters i.e., flow, pH, TSS, BOD & COD; and

WHEREAS, as per office order dated 24.02.2020, a four-member committee has been constituted to examine the representations for revocation of closure directions/show-cause notices issued to GPI's by CPCB under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986; and

WHEREAS, the four-member revocation committee in it's meeting held on 04.09.2024 recommended for conditional revocation of the CPCB closure direction dated 29.03.2016; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the above observations, reply and exercising powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, the closure direction dated 29.03.2016 under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, issued to the Unit "M/s Shree Bhawani Paper Mills Pvt. Ltd., Industrial area-1, Sultanpur road, Raebareli, Uttar Pradesh" is hereby revoked and the Unit is allowed to resume its manufacturing operations subject to following conditions:

1. The Unit shall be permitted to operate for 90 days (three months) from the date of resumption of manufacturing operations and the Unit shall immediately inform to CPCB Regional Directorate Lucknow & HO Delhi and UPPCB about the date of resumption of operations.
2. The Unit shall resume manufacturing operations only after obtaining valid consent to operate under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Authorization under Hazardous & Other Waste Rules, 2016 from UPPCB.
3. The Unit shall ensure uninterrupted data connectivity of OCEMS with CPCB/UPPCB server after commencement of operation of the plant.

In case of default in compliance with the above directions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate action against the Unit (M/s Shree Bhawani Paper Mills Pvt. Ltd., Industrial area-1, Sultanpur road, Raebareli, Uttar Pradesh), in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, without giving any further notice.


(TANMAY KUMAR)
CHAIRMAN

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Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board,
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4. **Regional Director** : for verification of the compliance
Central Pollution Control Board status and submit report within 60
PICUP Bhawan, Ground Floor, days of their operations by RD
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5. **In-charge IT Division, CPCB Delhi** : with request to upload on CPCB
website, please.


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