

SPEED POST

F. No. B-751(680)/Chemical & Others/WQM-II/CPCB/2017-18 2793

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To

M/s Hindustan Unilever Ltd.,
63, Garden Reach,
Kolkata-700024

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

WHEREAS, the chemical processing units are identified as one of the Grossly Polluting Industries (GPIs) 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, the Central Government has notified standards for discharge of environmental pollutants from various categories under Rule 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986; and

WHEREAS, 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 Committee (PCCs) for ensuring installation of online continuous effluent and emission monitoring system (OCEMS) by the grossly polluting industries; and

WHEREAS, considering the requests/representations received from industries/industrial associations/SPCBs/PCCs, an extension of time to June 30, 2015 for installation of OCEMS was granted vide direction dated March 27, 2015 under section 18(1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974; and

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

WHEREAS, M/s Hindustan Unilever Ltd., 63, Garden Reach, Kolkata-700024 (hereinafter referred to as 'the unit') is involved in the manufacturing of Detergent Powder, Glycerine, Laundry soap, Pears Soap, Toilet Soap including Lifebuoy and power generation in captive power plant; and

WHEREAS, the unit was inspected on 22.04.2017. The report was examined and it was observed that the unit's registration with CPCB registration portal for OCEMS data transfer is incomplete and not registered and also the ETP operators are not trained to calculate the dosage of Urea and DAP as per requirement in the aeration tank.; and

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, vide Notifications No. S. O. 157 (E) of 27.02.1996 and S. O. 730 (E) dated 10.07.2002, has delegated the powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, to issue directions to any industry or any local body or any other authority for violations of emission and effluent standards and rules notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and amendment thereof; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued Show Cause Notice dated 29.06.2017 under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the unit;

WHEREAS, the unit's reply vide letter dated 13.07.2017 was examined and following observation are made:

1. The unit has installed OCEMS on 31.03.2015 as per directives from CPCB/WBPCB.
2. The unit is already registered with the CPCB portal.
3. The unit has its own ETP and is being operated and maintained by its employees who have operational experience of more than 20 years.
4. The unit has assured that the unit would be immediately focusing on enhancing the skill and knowledge of relevant operating personnel through periodical trainings and awareness programme.

AND WHEREAS, IT division has confirmed that the unit has provided OCEMS data connectivity to CPCB server; and

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the above mentioned observations and in exercise of the powers delegated to the Chairman CPCB, under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Show cause notice dated 28.6.2017 is hereby revoked and the unit **M/s Hindustan Unilever Ltd., 63, Garden Reach, Kolkata-700024** is directed to comply with the following direction:

1. The Unit shall treat their effluent to meet the effluent discharge standards as notified under Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986.
2. The Unit shall ensure continuous connectivity with CPCB server.

In case of default in compliance with the above directions, CPCB will be constrained to initiate action without any further notice, in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

(S. P. SINGH PARIHAR)
CHAIRMAN

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