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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE GOVT. OF INDIA

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B-29016/04/06/IPC-I/ 12589

M/s. VJ Sai Chem,
Sy.no.240/b, Dothigudem village, Pochampally Mandal,
Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District (earlier Nalgonda District),
Telangana- 508284

Sub: Directions under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986-regarding

WHEREAS, the Pharmaceutical industries are identified as one of the 17 categories of highly polluting industries which have potential to cause adverse effect on the water and air quality through discharge of environmental pollutants directly or indirectly into the ambient water and air; and

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 thereunder; and

WHEREAS, there is need to inculcate habit of self-monitoring within the industries for complying with the prescribed standards and this can be achieved by the methods like Online Continuous Effluent and Emission Monitoring Systems (OCEMS); and

WHEREAS, Pharmaceutical Unit, M/s. VJ Sai Chem, Telangana (herein after referred to as the Unit) was randomly selected for inspection based on the SMS alerts generated through the OCEMS; and

WHEREAS, the Unit was inspected by a team of official(s) from CPCB RD Bengaluru on February 17, 2021 to assess the adequacy of the existing pollution control measures; and observed the following shortcomings:

1. The production data provided by the Unit indicates that the Unit exceeded the consented production capacity and also produced drug intermediates which were not consented by Telangana SPCB.
2. The biological ETP provided for Low TDS effluent was found in defunct condition and Multi Effect Evaporator (MEE) & RO was also not in operation.
3. Segregation of High TDS and Low TDS effluent is not being practiced by the Unit.
4. The overall housekeeping of the Unit was not found satisfactory; and

WHEREAS, as per report of IT Division of CPCB, dated June 15, 2021, PTZ camera was not found connected to CPCB server during verification; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of above non compliance a Show Cause Notice under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act 1986, was issued to M/s. VJ Sai Chem, Telangana vide letter no. B-29016/04/06/IPC-I/2771 dated June 29, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Unit has submitted the compliance of directions vide letter received on July 12, 2021 and informed that the online connectivity has been provided for OCEMS; and

WHEREAS, the connectivity of online data submitted by the Unit was verified by the IT division of the CPCB and as per report dated July 20, 2021 the camera was found not connected; and

WHEREAS, the Unit was further communicated thrice vide email dated July 26, July 30 and September 01, 2021 to provide online connectivity for camera; and

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WHEREAS, based on the replies from the Unit, connectivity of online data was verified three times by the IT division of the CPCB and as per reports dated July 28, August 13 and September 28, 2021, the camera was found not connected; and

WHEREAS, the Unit failed to provide connectivity for camera in compliance of show cause notice dated June 29, 2021 even after sufficient time was given; and

WHEREAS, on the basis of non-compliance observed, a closure direction under section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act 1986 was issued to the Unit vide letter no. B-29016/04/06/IPC-I/9072 dated November 22, 2021 directing not to restart the operation till online effluent monitoring system is installed and connected to the CPCB server; and

WHEREAS, the Unit has submitted the compliance of directions vide letter dated November 26, 2021, and submitted self-certificate dated December 07, 2021 that the Unit has already stopped all its manufacturing operations in compliance to the directions; and

WHEREAS, the Unit vide letter dated November 26, 2021 submitted that the online connectivity has been provided for OCEMS and requested to revoke the closure direction; and

WHEREAS, the connectivity of online data submitted by the Unit was verified by the IT division of the CPCB and as per report dated December 03, 2021 the Unit was found connected w.r.t. flow meters and camera feed with CPCB; and

WHEREAS, CPCB constituted a Three-member committee vide office order dated 03.10.2017 having representative(s) from CPCB and MoEF&CC for examination and recommendation for revocation of the closure direction issued by CPCB; and

WHEREAS, the three-member committee in its meeting held on December 14, 2021 examined the compliance report submitted by the Unit, recommended that the Unit may be allowed to resume operation with condition that:

1. The Unit shall ensure uninterrupted connectivity of OCEMS data with CPCB server.
2. The Unit shall ensure periodic calibration of the analyzers as per standard operating procedure/recommendations of the supplier and submit the calibration results.

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 the standards and rules notified under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and amendment thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of powers vested to Chairman CPCB under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and in view of compliance with relevant direction under reference, the direction issued under the Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Unit M/s. VJ Sai Chem, Telangana vide letter dated November 22, 2021 is hereby revoked with conditions that:

1. The Unit shall communicate date of commencement of plant operation to CPCB and revocation conveyed vide the aforesaid would be for an initial period of three months after the commencement of the plant operation, and in case of compliance of the effluent/emission as per prescribed standards, further revocation would be deemed as having been granted.
2. The Unit shall submit performance assessment of the treatment system including the analysis of treated effluent by a reputed Government Institute, within 60 days from the date of resumption of plant operation.

3. The Unit shall properly treat the stored High TDS and Low TDS effluent before resuming of manufacturing operation.
4. The Unit shall ensure uninterrupted data connectivity of OCEMS with CPCB server after commencement of operation of the plant.
5. The Unit shall ensure periodic calibration of the analyzers as per standard operating procedure/recommendations of the supplier and submit the calibration results.

In case of failure to comply with the aforesaid directions necessary action as deemed fit under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 including imposition of environmental compensation will be taken by Central Pollution Control Board against the Unit.


(Tanmay Kumar)
Chairman
Mukul

Copy to:

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3. The Joint Secretary (CP Division)
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
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4. The Chairman
Southern Power Distribution
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: With request to restore the electricity
supply of the Unit.
5. Divisional Head, IT, CPCB
6. Divisional Head, IPC-VI, CPCB


(Prashant Gargava)
Member Secretary