



F. No. B-11011/UPC-II/PWM(Direction)/2022

Date: 17-08-2022

To,

The Member Secretary  
All SPCBs/PCCs

**Sub:- DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986 to SPCBs/PCCs REGARDING REGISTRATION OF PLASTIC WASTE PROCESSORS IN CENTRALIZED EPR PORTAL AND FULFILMENT OF EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY AS PER PROVISIONS OF PWM RULES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC) has notified Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, in exercise of the powers conferred under sections 3, 6 & 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 vide Notification No. G.S.R 320 (E) dated March 18, 2016;

**WHEREAS**, the MoEF&CC amended PWM Rules 2016 vide Notification No. G.S.R 285 (E) dated March 27, 2018;

**WHEREAS**, under Rule 13(2) of PWM Rules, 2016, "Every person recycling or processing waste or proposing to recycle or process plastic waste shall make an application to the State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee, for grant of registration or renewal of registration for the recycling unit, in Form II.";

**WHEREAS**, Guidelines on Extended Producer Responsibility for Plastic Packaging were notified by MoEF&CC on February 16, 2022 in Schedule – II of 4th amendment of Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016;

**WHEREAS**, as per section 4 of the above Guidelines, "The following entities shall be covered under the Extended Producer Responsibility obligations and provisions of these guidelines namely: - (i) Producer (P) of plastic packaging; (ii) Importer (I) of all imported plastic packaging and / or plastic packaging of imported products; (iii) Brand Owners (BO) including online platforms/marketplaces and supermarkets/retail chains other than those, which are micro and small enterprises as per the criteria of Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India.; and (iv) **Plastic Waste Processors**";

**WHEREAS**, as per section 6.1(a) of the above Guidelines, "The following entities shall register on the centralized portal developed by Central Pollution Control Board namely: - (i) Producer (P); (ii) Importer (I); (iii) Brand owner (BO); (iv) **Plastic Waste Processor engaged in (a) recycling, (b) waste to energy, (c) waste to oil, and (iv) industrial composting**";

**WHEREAS**, as per section 11.1 of the EPR Guidelines, "All plastic waste processors shall have to register with concerned State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee in accordance with provision 13(3) of Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 on the centralized portal developed by Central Pollution Control Board. Central Pollution Control Board shall lay down uniform procedure for registration within three months of the publication of these guidelines.";

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**WHEREAS**, as per Section 11.5 of the EPR Guidelines, only plastic waste processors registered under Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, as amended, shall provide certificates for plastic waste processing, which shall be considered for fulfilment of Extended Producer Responsibility obligations by Producers, Importers & Brand-Owners;

**WHEREAS**, as per the EPR Guidelines, CPCB has developed the Centralized portal for registration of Producers, Importer and Brand-owners (PIBOs) & Plastic Waste Processors (PWP) that was launched on April 05, 2022. The portal is available at <https://cpcbepplastic.in/>;

**WHEREAS**, as per information provided by SPCBs/PCCs, there are a total of 1419 registered Plastic Waste Processors in the country;

**WHEREAS** DO Letter dated June 01, 2022 was issued to your office in which you were requested to direct the plastic waste processors operational in your jurisdiction to submit application for Registration on EPR Portal within thirty days, failing which revocation of Consent issued by SPCB/PCC shall be considered by your office;

**Whereas**, Vide letter dated 26-7-2022, CPCB has issued notice to 1419 PWP units engaged in processing of plastic waste to get registered on the Centralized EPR Portal by August 05, 2022. (<https://cpcb.nic.in/registration-for-brand-owner/>);

**WHEREAS**, only 409 PWPs have submitted their application for Registration the centralized EPR portal;

**WHEREAS** 580 Brand downers, 310 Producers and 631 Importers with a total EPR target of 18.25 Lacs TPA have already been registered on the EPR Portal;

**WHEREAS**, aforementioned PIBOs have to obtain EPR Certificates issued by PWPs, for fulfilment of their EPR liability;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in view of above and in exercises of the powers vested under Section 5 of EPA, following Directions are issued for compliance:

1. To direct all Plastic Waste Processors (recyclers, co-processors, waste to energy plants, waste to oil plants) operational in your jurisdiction to submit application with complete details (as per the Standard Operating Procedure document uploaded on EPR Portal) for Registration on EPR Portal by August 30, 2022.
2. To revoke consents issued to Plastic Waste Processors who do not submit their Registration application on EPR Portal as per above specified timelines.

You are hereby directed to take necessary action for compliance of aforesaid Directions and submit Action taken Report to this office by August 31, 2022.

  
(Tanmay Kumar)  
Chairman



