



केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड  
CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
(पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)  
(MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS, GOVT. OF INDIA)

SPEED POST

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October 31, 2017

To,

**The Unit Head**  
M/s Amrit Cements Ltd,  
Umlaper, East Jaintia Hills  
Meghalaya- 793109

**Sub: Closure direction under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986**

WHEREAS, the cement 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, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change has notified emission norms for Particulate matter, SO<sub>2</sub> & NO<sub>x</sub> vide GSR 612 (E) dated 25.08.2014; and amended it vide GSR 496 (E) dated 09.05.2016 for all cement industries and vide GSR 497 (E) dated 10.05.2016 for cement industries, carrying out co-processing of wastes in their cement kilns; and

WHEREAS, on request of cement industries, timeline was extended up-to March 31, 2017 to comply with the aforesaid notified emission standards; and

WHEREAS, the matter regarding reconsideration of notified standards was taken up by the Cement Manufacturers Association with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC). In this context, it has been decided by MoEFCC that general extension shall not be granted and any extension regarding compliance shall be based on due assessment and submission of clear/specific road map for compliance with notified standards in a time bound manner. Accordingly, Directions under Section 3 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 have been issued by MoEFCC to CPCB on 28.03.2017 to ensure implementation of notified environmental standards for cement industries; and

WHEREAS, you were reminded vide this office letter of even no. dated 30.03.2017 that new notified standards for cement industry have become effective from April 01, 2017 and you were directed to submit clear / specific time-bound action plan for compliance with new notified standards, before April 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, series of meetings were convened by Regional Directorates of CPCB with Cement industries and State Pollution Control Boards to expedite the submission of action plans and ensure compliance. Based on the inputs received, a standard format was developed to facilitate cement industries in submission of action plans in a precise & scientific manner and the same was circulated among cement manufacturers. Accordingly, all the cement industries were directed to submit the specific action plan as per the standard format before 30.04.2017; and

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WHEREAS, copies of all such communications/directions were uploaded on the website of CPCB also from time to time and are available; and

WHEREAS, till date, action plan in standard format as directed vide letter dated 30.03.2017, has not been submitted by the unit; and

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change 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; and

NOW, THEREFORE, exercising the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, M/s Amrit Cements Ltd, Umlaper, East Jaintia Hills Meghalaya is hereby directed to close all operations with immediate effect and report compliance of this closure direction to CPCB, within 15 days of receipt of this direction. Failing which, legal action including prosecution as per the National Green Tribunal Act , 2010 shall be launched.

  
(S.P. Singh Parihar)  
Chairman

 1/11/17



M/s Amrit Cements Ltd, Umlaper, East Jaintia Hills Meghalaya

**Copy for information & compliance to:**

1. The Chairman  
Meghalaya Pollution Control Board  
ARDEN, Lumbynggad  
Shillong - 793 014, Meghalaya
2. The District Magistrate  
District - Jaintia Hills,  
Meghalaya
3. The Chairman & Managing Director  
Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited,  
Lum Jingshai, Short Round Road,  
Shillong, Pin - 793001.
4. The Additional Secretary (AKM)-CP Division  
Ministry of Environment, Forests  
and Climate Change  
Prithvi Wing, 2nd Floor, Room No. 216  
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan  
Aliganj, JorBagh Road, New Delhi - 110003
5. The Regional Director  
Regional Directorate (North-East)  
Central Pollution Control Board  
TUM- SIR, Lower Motinagar,  
Near Fire Brigade H.Q.  
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6. The Divisional Head IT, CPCB, Delhi
7. The Divisional Head , IPC-VI, CPCB, Delhi

*25/01/17*  
[ A Sudhakar]  
Member Secretary  
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