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Order No.196/APPCCB/UH-II/TF/PKSM/2019 - Date: 15.07.2019

DIRECTIONS


Ref:

WHEREAS you are operating Common Bio Medical Waste Treatment Facility in the name & style of M/s. Ongole Medical Waste Treatment Facility, Sy.No.316/1, Kanduluru (V), Tangutur (M), Prakasham District.

WHEREAS vide references 1st cited, the Board has issued Consent for Operation and Hazardous Waste Authorization to the industry on 01.08.2017 which is valid upto 31.03.2022.

WHEREAS the Board vide references 2nd cited, has reviewed the status of pollution control measures taken by the industry before External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting held on 18.05.2017 and issued certain directions to the industry on 08.06.2017 for non-compliance of consent conditions and BMW Rules, 2016.

WHEREAS the ZO, Vijayawada vide reference 3rd cited, issued following revised directions to the industry on 24.01.2018:

1. The CBMWTF shall collect the segregated Bio-Medical Waste from the HCEs duly supplying colour coding bags.
2. The CBMWTF shall continuously operate ETP to treat the waste water duly maintaining records.
3. The CBMWTF shall provide water meters at the inlet and outlet of the ETP and maintain log books.
4. The CBMWTF should operate regularly duly maintaining records and making alternative arrangements for standby power supply.
5. The CBMWTF shall connect the online stack monitoring to the APPCB website.
6. The CBMWTF shall properly dispose the incinerator ash to TSDF regularly duly maintaining records.
7. The CBMWTF shall conduct the training programmes on segregation of Bio-Medical Waste to staff members of the HCEs located in your jurisdiction immediately.

WHEREAS the RO, Nellore vide references 4th cited, issued notice to the Facility on 21.07.2018 for non-compliance of consent conditions and Board directions.

WHEREAS the Board has reviewed the status of pollution control measures taken by the industry before External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting held on 09.10.2018 and issued stop production order to M/s. Ongole Medical Waste Treatment Facility, Sy.No.316/1,
Kandulur(V), Tangutur (M), Prakasam District on 22.10.2018 vide reference 5th cited for non-compliance of the Board directions and BMW Rules 2016.

WHEREAS the Board vide reference 6th cited, has issued Revocation of Stop Production Order to the industry on 05.11.2018 with a direction to submit Bank guarantee of Rs 2.0 Lakhs within 15 days.

WHEREAS the facility vide reference 7th cited, has submitted the compliance report and requested for exemption of Bank Guarantee of 2.0 Lakhs vide letter dt.18.03.2019 & 13.04.2019.

WHEREAS vide reference 8th cited, the EE, RO, Nellore has furnished report to Board Office on 02.04.2019 along with the following compliance status:

1. The management of CBMWTF is carrying out awareness among the HCEs for segregation of BMW by conducting programmes.
2. The Facility has not upgraded the existing ETP with aeration system. The representative of facility informed that they proposed to add Aeration system to improve the performance within a month.
3. The Facility has not provided Bar coding system for transportation vehicles used for collection of BMW from the HCEs. The representative of the facility has informed that they already provided GPS to the vehicles and Bar coding system will be completed within One month time.
4. The facility is yet to dispose off incinerator ash to TSDF.
5. The facility not upgraded the incinerator so as to comply with the new emission norms stipulated under Sec. II of BMW Rules, 2016.
6. The facility maintained minimum temperature of 800°C in primary chamber and minimum temperature of 1050°C + (or) -50°C in secondary chamber.
7. The facility has not submitted the Bank Guarantee for Rs.2.0 Lakhs.

WHEREAS legal hearing was conducted before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force) of A.P. Pollution Control Board in its Meeting on 14.06.2019. The representative of the industry has attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the Board has issued Revocation of Stop Production Order on 05.11.2018 with a condition that the industry shall submit the Bank Guarantee of 2.0 Lakhs. The Committee also noted that the industry has not submitted Bank Guarantee. The EE, RO, Ongole has informed that the facility is segregating the Bio medical wastes at the premises manually by the workers with wearing personal protection equipments, the ETP is in operation, the incinerator is in operation and maintaining stipulated temperatures and the facility complied with the Board directions dt.24.01.2018. The representative of the facility has informed that they upgraded the existing ETP with aeration system to meet the Board’s standards, provided GPS system for transportation vehicles used for collection of BMW from the HCEs, upgraded incinerator to comply with the new emission norms and carrying out awareness among the HCEs for segregation of BMW by conducting programmes. Finally, the management requested for exemption of Bank Guarantee of 2.0 Lakhs as they have complied the most of directions issued by the Board.

The Committee, after detailed discussions, recommended to issue certain directions. The Board hereby issue the following directions under Sec.33 (A) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1988 and under Sec.31 (A) of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1987:

1. The facility shall collect only segregated BMW from HCEs. The facility shall furnish list of HCEs which are not segregate to ZO, Vijayawada to initiate further action.
2. The facility shall operate incinerator regularly to comply with the new emission norms stipulated under Sec. II of BMW Rules, 2016.
3. The Facility shall operate ETP regularly to meet the Board's standards.
4. The facility shall provide Bar coding system for transportation vehicles used for collection of BMW from the HCEs within one month.
5. The facility shall maintain records with regard to incineration of the Bio Medical Wastes, ash generation & disposal, fuel consumption, inlet & outlet meter readings of ETP.
6. The facility shall maintain minimum temperature of 800°C in primary chamber and minimum temperature of 1050°C + (or) -50°C in secondary chamber. The secondary chamber gas residence time shall be at least 2 seconds.
7. The facility shall conduct regular training programmes for the staff of HCEs on awareness of segregation of BMW.
You are hereby directed to note that, should you violate any one of the directions mentioned above, action will be initiated under Sec.33 (A) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1986 and Sec.31 (A) of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1987 without any further notice, in the interest of Public Health and Environment.

This Order comes into effect from today i.e., 15.07.2019.

Sd/-
CHAIRMAN

To
M/s. Ongole Medical Waste Treatment Facility,
Sy.No.316/1,
Kanduluru (V),
Tangutur (M),
Prakasham District – 523272.

Copy to:
1. The Joint Chief Environmental Engineer (Unit-IV), Board Office, Vijayawada for information and necessary action.
2. The Joint Chief Environmental Engineer, Zonal Office, Vijayawada for information and necessary action.
3. The Environmental Engineer, Regional Office, Ongole for information and necessary action.

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JOINT CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER

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