ANDHRA PRADESH POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

MINUTES OF THE EXTERNAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TASK FORCE) MEETING
IS HELD ON 02.06.2017 AT 10.00 AM AT APPCB, HEAD OFFICE,
NEAR SUNRISE HOSPITAL, KASTURIBAIPET, VIJAYAWADA

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The Member Secretary has welcomed the members of the Committee. After general introductory remarks on the items placed before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting, the committee took up agenda, item wise. The decisions of the EAC (TF) meeting on each item are recorded below.
### All ZONES

1. **M/s. Hetero Drugs Ltd. (Unit-Ix), Plot No.1, Hetero Infrastructure SEZ Ltd., N.Narsapuram (V), Nakkapalli (M), Visakhapatnam District.**

   The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the non-compliance of CFO order conditions and the directions of the Board.

   The EE, RO, Visakhapatnam informed that CPCB, New Delhi has issued Closure order to the industry on 11.04.2017 for non-installation of CC Camera and not connected to CPCB website. It was informed that the industry has installed CC Cameras and connected to CPCB website. The industry has applied to CPCB for revocation of closure order. EE, RO, Visakhapatnam has also informed that the industry has installed 17 no. of scrubbers and out of which, 4 scrubbers were converted to multi stage scrubbers depending on the criticality of reactions and not installed online pH meter. It was also informed that the industry has installed unit wise flow meters for both HTDS & LTDS. The representative of the industry informed that they have obtained CFE & CFO for new products. They issued purchase order for the installation of fume extraction system with hood for control of VOCs and will be completed by end of July, 2017. The committee instructed the management to obtain revocation of closure order from CPCB, New Delhi and start the operation.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall obtain revocation of closure order from CPCB, New Delhi.
2. The industry shall complete the installation of fume extraction system with hood and connect to scrubber to control odour nuisance within 2 months.
3. The industry shall provide multistage scrubbers along with pH meters for all the reactors within 3 months.
4. The industry shall provide data logger system to pH meter within one month.
5. The industry shall comply all directions issued by the Board vide order dt.23.07.2016.
6. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.

2. **M/s. Synnat Pharma Pvt. Ltd., Plot No.60, JN Pharmacity, JNPC, Parawada, Visakhapatnam.**

   The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The Committee noted that the industry not segregating the effluents, not covered the effluent storage tanks, not provided fume extraction system with scrubber, not provided storage shed, not provided VOC meter. The Committee also noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions. The representative informed that they have issued purchase order for online pH meters and will be completed by end of this month.

   The EE, RO, Visakhapatnam has informed that the industry has provided flexible pipes for transfer of effluents from process area to effluent tanks. The Committee instructed the management to remove the flexible pipes within one week and shall provide permanent pipeline arrangement for transportation of effluents.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions: [Signature]

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1. The industry shall make arrangements for segregation of effluents into HTDS & LTDS effluents within one month and send to CETP, M/s. Ramky for further treatment.
2. The industry shall dismantle below ground level effluent collection tanks and shall provide above ground level effluent collection tanks within one month.
3. The industry shall provide permanent pipeline arrangement for transportation of effluents within 15 days.
4. The industry shall cover the effluent storage tanks and shall provide fume extraction system with scrubber within one month.
5. The industry shall provide proper storm water drains in the premises within one month.
6. The industry shall provide proper collection and transfer of boiler blow down effluents immediately.
7. The industry shall store hazardous waste on raised concrete platform with leachate collection system under a shed within one month.
8. The industry shall provide VOC meter to record VOCs within 15 days.
9. The industry shall connect all the centrifuge glands to scrubber within 15 days.
10. The industry shall provide online pH meters along with data logger systems for the scrubbers within 15 days.
11. The industry shall provide proper enclosure for storage of ash within 15 days.
12. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order dt. 27.02.2016.

The Committee also recommended to direct the EE, RO, Visakhapatnam to verify the compliance of the above directions by the industry and submit the inspection report within one month. If the industry fails to comply with the above directions within stipulated time, the EE, RO, Visakhapatnam shall obtain Bank Guarantee of Rs. 5.0 Lakhs from the industry.


The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions of the Board. The representative of the industry informed that they started the trial runs in the month of September, 2016 and generated HTDS effluents only. They have not started the commercial production. It was informed that they constructed separate scrap yard and removed the scrap from above ground level effluent storage tanks. They provided the online pH meter to the scrubbers.

The EE, RO, Visakhapatnam informed that the industry is operating the validation batches only and not started the commercial production. It was informed that the industry has not provided the VOC meters to record the ambient VOCs. The Committee instructed the management to inform EE, RO, Visakhapatnam before the start of the commercial production.

Recommendations:

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall segregate the effluents into HTDS & LTDS effluents and send to CETP, M/s. Ramky for further treatment.
2. The industry shall cover the effluent storage tanks and provide fume extraction system with scrubber before the start of commercial production.
3. The industry shall store hazardous waste on raised concrete platform with leachate collection system under a shed within one month.
4. The industry shall provide VOC meter to record the ambient VOCs before the start commercial production.
5. The industry shall provide air pollution control equipment system for the process
emissions within 2 months.
6. The industry shall provide online pH meters along with data logger systems for the scrubbers within 15 days.
7. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order dt.06.01.2017.


The representatives of the industry not attended the legal hearing. The committee recommended to review the industry in next Legal Hearing.


The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions of the Board. The representative of the industry has informed that they have provided online stack analyzer and connected to CPCB website. The online stack data will be connected to APPCB website shortly. They informed that they dispose the plastic waste to the authorized recyclers. It was informed that they rectified the autoclave and operating regularly. The AEE, RO, Eluru has informed that the facility has paid water cess amount through self assessment system. The Committee instructed the management to conduct training programs for the staff of HCEs on segregation of Bio-medical waste in their jurisdiction and operate the facility on daily basis.

Recommendations:

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The facility shall collect only segregated biomedical waste from HCEs.
2. The facility shall conduct the training programs on segregation of bio-medical waste to staff members of the health care establishments located in their jurisdiction immediately.
3. The facility shall not take-up manual feeding of biomedical waste into the incinerator and shall operate only auto-feeding system.
4. The facility shall install mobile GPS and Bar code system for the transportation of Bio-medical waste.
5. The facility shall operate Effluent treatment plant system continuously.
6. The facility shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.

6. M/s. Vakula Devi Stone Crusher, R.S.No. 323, Duddukuru (V), Devarapalli (M), West Godavari District.

The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the Board had issued Closure order to the stone Crusher on 24.01.2017 at Zonal Office level for non compliance of CFO conditions / directions and operating the unit without CFO order of the Board and not providing adequate air pollution control equipment. The representative of the industry informed that they have obtained CFO order of the Board on 09.05.2017. It was informed that they provided cladding to conveyor belt and screens. They provided water sprinklers on the conveyor carrying raw materials from bunker to the crusher. It was also informed that they will construct the metal roads by end of November 2017. They developed green belt along the boundary of the site.

The AEE, RO, Eluru informed that the crusher has provided wind breaking wall of 20 ft on
three sides of the crusher site. It was informed that the industry has provided partial cladding to screens and complete cladding for dust conveyor and no cladding is provided to crusher.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue Revocation of Closure Order with the following directions:

1. The industry shall submit an undertaking within one week to take up all the measures that would be suggested by National Productivity Council (NPC).
2. The industry shall maintain premises sufficiently wet during and after operation hours to ensure that no dust is emitted during plying of the vehicles.
3. The industry shall provide water sprinkling system to ensure that the road between crusher and quarry in wet always.
4. The industry shall provide internal road in the crusher premises within 6 months.
5. The suspended particulate matter measured between 3m and 10 m from any process equipment of stone crushing unit shall not exceed 600 micrograms/ cubic meter.
6. The industry shall develop thick greenbelt at vacant place in crusher area.
7. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO order dt.09.05.2017.

7. M/s. EVB Technologies Pvt., Ltd., Kanavaram, Pallakadiyam(V), Rajanagaram (M), East Godavari District.

The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the facility is receiving un-segregated bio medical waste from HCEs, not following colour coding, not installed web cameras. The Facility is not having power supply and is operating on diesel generator. The committee also noted that the facility has not complied with most of directions issued by the Board and not comply with the BMW Rules, 2016.

The EE, RO, Kakinada has informed that the facility is not operating the incinerator and autoclave with optimum operating parameters. He informed that the facility is operating the ETP and provided the CC cameras nearby ETP area as per CPCB directions.

The Representative of the industry informed that they conducted the training/awareness programs to the staff of HCEs. It was informed that they have provided the CC Cameras and will connect to CPCB/APPB website by end of June, 2017. It was also informed that they will comply with all directions issued by Board within one month.

The Committee recommended that the industry shall construct the compound wall on all sides of the facility to avoid flying of Bio-medical waste and smell nuisance to the surrounding area. The Committee also recommended to levy Bank Guarantee of Rs.4.0 Lakhs as they have not complied with the directions. The Committee instructed the management to conduct training programs on segregation of Bio-medical waste for the staff of HCEs in their jurisdiction and operate the facility on daily basis.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue Revocation of Closure Order with the following directions:

1. The facility shall immediately obtain power connection from APEPDCL to operate the pollution control equipment continuously.
2. The facility shall collect only segregated biomedical waste from HCEs.
3. The facility shall not take-up manual feeding of biomedical waste into the incinerator.
and shall operate only on auto-feeding system.

4. The facility shall operate the Incinerator and Autoclave with optimum operating parameters and rectify the PLC to record the actual readings.

5. The facility shall train and educate the HCEs to segregate the bio medical waste at source and shall accept only the segregated waste. The list of the defaulting HCEs shall be communicated to RO, Kakinada for further course of action.

6. The facility shall connect the online stack monitoring equipment to the APPCB/CPCB website within 15 days.

7. The facility shall install mobile GPS and Board code system for transportation of BMW.

8. The facility shall construct the compound wall both side of the facility within 3 months.

9. The facility shall submit another Bank Guarantee of Rs.4.0 Lakhs (Old BG Rs.2 Lakhs + Fresh BG Rs.2 Lakhs) towards compliance of the directions issued by the Board.

10. The industry shall comply all directions issued by the Board vide order dt.16.05.2017.

11. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.

The Committee also recommended to direct the EE, RO, Kakinada to inspect the industry and verify the compliance of the above directions by the industry and furnish the inspection report within one month, so as to review the industry. It was also recommended to direct EE, RO, Kakinada to issue notices to all defaulting HCEs who are not segregating Bio-medical waste at the source.

8. M/s. Yona Smelters Private Limited, Plot No. 209, Growth Center, Bobbili (V) & (M), Vizianagaram District.

The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions. The representative of the industry has informed that they will construct the closed shed for storage of raw material by end of August, 2017. It was also informed that they will install water meters and energy meters by end of this month.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall provide activation recorder with the recording facility to the bypass stacks.

2. The industry shall store the raw material in closed sheds within 3 months to avoid the fugitive emissions.

3. The industry shall install online stack monitoring system within one month.

4. The industry shall maintain separate energy meter for Air Pollution Control Equipment to ascertain the status of Air Pollution Control Equipment operation within 15 days.

5. The industry shall provide water meters to ascertain the fresh water consumption category wise within 15 days.

6. The industry shall install slag granulation plant to reuse the slag.

7. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.


The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The Committee noted that the Board has received complaint from Hon’ble AP Lokayukta against the industry & APPCB filed by Sri Ch. Venkateswarlu. The Hon’ble AP Lokayukta vide order dt.08.12.2015 directed the complainant to file objections if any. on the report dt.30.11.2015 to the Environmental
Engineer, A.P. Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Vijayawada. But, the complainant has not filed any representation to APPCB, Regional Office, Vijayawada. The committee also noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions and Board direction.

The representative of the industry has informed that the industry is in financial crisis due to low productivity and depressed market condition. It was informed that they have provided 4 storage sheds (two sheds for coal, one shed for char & dolchar and one shed for sponge iron). It was also informed that they will install online monitoring equipment for the kiln stacks and will be connected to APPCB website by end November, 2017. They have provided 14 no. of water sprinklers in the plant.

The EE, RO, Vijayawada has informed that the industry has constructed 3 sides RCC wall around the ESP discharge chutes with Fog nozzles to avoid the fugitive emissions during the unloading of dust. It was also informed presently the industry is very less production of sponge iron.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall install online monitoring equipment for the kiln stacks and connect to APPCB website within 3 month.
2. The industry shall provide permanent water sprinklers in the plant within one month and operate continuously.
3. The industry shall lay down concrete internal roads in the Plant within 3 months.
4. The industry shall remove the dust accumulated in the plant premises and shall maintain good housekeeping.
5. The industry shall renewal the Bank Guarantee of Rs.5 Lakhs towards compliance of the directions issued by the Board.
6. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.

10. **M/s. Kekule Life Sciences Limited, (Formerly M/s. Celon Organics Private Limited)\n    Plot No 171 and 181, IDA, Kondapalli (V), Ibrahimpatnam (M), Krishna District.**

The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the industry has not installed two stage scrubbers, not provided separate energy meters, not provided VOC analyzer, not provided detoxification of container facility and not provided pH meter to scrubber. The committee also noted non-compliance of CFO conditions and Board direction. The representative of the industry informed that they obtained CFO order of the Board for disposal of effluents to CETP, IDA, Kondapalli. They informed that they issued purchase order of online pH meter and will be installed by end of August, 2017. It was also informed that they will procure the VOC monitoring system and will be installed by end of August, 2017.

The EE, RO, Vijayawada has informed that industry has filed the CFE for new boiler and un-consented products. The CFE Committee at Zonal Office level recommended to reject the application as they have not obtained EC for un-consented products. The management informed that they will apply for CFE order of the Board for the change of product mix.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall obtain CFE (amendment) for installation of 0.67 TPH briquette fired boiler within one month.

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2. The industry shall install two stage scrubbers to control the process emissions within 2 months.
3. The industry shall provide separate energy meters to air pollution control equipments within 15 days.
4. The industry shall provide VOC analyzer system within one month.
5. The industry shall provide detoxification of container facility within one month.
6. The industry shall provide online pH monitor to the scrubbers within one month.
7. The industry shall provide separate water meters to assess the water consumption for all categories of water consumption within 15 days.
8. The industry shall install solvent recovery unit within one month.
9. The industry shall dispose off the hazardous waste as per consent order only.
10. The industry shall submit the Bank Guarantee of Rs.5.0 Lakh towards compliance of the directions issued by the Board.
11. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.


The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions and Board directions. The representative of the industry informed that they are manufacturing the bulk drugs to the consented capacity only and not exceeding the consented quantities. It was informed that they will provide data logger to online pH meters attached to all the scrubbers by end of this month.

The EE, RO, Vijayawada has informed that the industry has provided containers detoxification facility, provided flow meters with totalizers for ZLD system and provided energy meters to the bag filter of the boilers. It was also informed that they have provided acid proof tile flooring for the ETP area and provided closed shed for storage of non-hazardous waste. It was also informed that the industry has not provided acid proof tiles in the detoxification facility area.

Recommendations:

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall provide lining with acid proof tiles in the detoxification facility within one month.
2. The industry shall store the hazardous waste on a raised concrete platform with leachate collection system under a closed shed within 15 days.
3. The industry shall rectify the online VOC digital meter within 15 days.
4. The industry shall not discharge any effluents outside the premises.
5. The industry shall comply all directions issued by the Board vide order dt.27.05.2016.
6. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.


The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The Committee noted that a fire accident has occurred on 20.05.2017 at 3.30 AM in Block No.3 where Fungicides technical – Azoxystrobbon is being manufactured using Sodium methoxide, Methanol and Toluene as raw materials.

The EE, RO, Nellore has informed that the fire accident occurred due to a spark generated from one of the reactor and the Sodium methoxide kept in 10 Kgs bag near a reactor caught fire.
fire and spread to other solvents like methanol and toluene at 3.30 AM on 20.05.2017. A thick dense smoke was spread to the surrounding area. The fire was controlled at 7.00 AM. The 3 storey building of block no.3 was completely damaged during the accident.

The representative of the industry informed that nearly 30 KL quantity of solvents (Tolune & Methanol) and other raw material was loaded in the reactors in block no.3, while fire accident took place. There was about 25 MT of intermediate products were available during the incident. The representative of the industry has informed that they have started the clearing of chemical debris generated during the fire accident by duly informing Deputy Chief Inspector of factories on 30.05.2017 and the quantity of chemical debris/hazardous waste will be around 15 Tons. A separate storage area is allocated for storage of waste/debris. The chemical debris/hazardous waste from production Block no.3 will be send to TSDF for further disposal.

Recommendations:

The Committee after detailed discussions recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall rectify all the reactors which were involved in the fire accident and provide sufficient air pollution control equipment and safety systems before the start of the operations.
2. The industry shall dispose off chemical debris/Hazardous waste generated during fire accident to TSDF, Parawada for final disposal immediately.
3. The industry shall treat the waste water generated during the fire accident in the ETP immediately.
4. The industry shall provide water sprinklers at coal handing area to control fugitive emissions within one month.
5. The industry shall develop thick Green belt along the boundary in the industry premises.
6. The industry shall carryout hazop studies and submit report within 3 months.
7. The industry shall comply the all directions issued by the Board vide order dt.01.03.2017.
8. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.
9. The industry shall inform in writing to RO, Nellore about starting of operations in production Block no.3.

The committee also recommended to direct EE, RO, Nellore to furnish detailed report on air pollution, water pollution and solid/hazardous waste disposal after re-starting of production block no.3 for review.

13. M/s. Lalitha Parameswari Stone Crusher, Sy.No. 287/2A, Bhanumukkala (V), Banaganapalli (M), Kurnool District.

The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the Board had issued Closure order to the stone Crusher on 30.01.2016 at Zonal Office level for non compliance of CFO conditions/directions and operating the unit without CFO order of the Board and not providing adequate air pollution control equipment. The Committee also noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions.

The representative of the industry informed that they will apply for CFO order of the Board by end of this month: It was informed that they provided cladding to conveyor belt and screens. They provided water sprinklers on the conveyor carrying raw materials from bunker to the crusher. It was also informed that they will construct the metal roads by end of November 2017. They developed green belt along the boundary of the site.
The EE, RO, Kurnool informed that the crusher has not covered dust conveyor with MS sheet. It was informed that the industry has not provided elevated dust bunker for the collection of dust.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue Temporary Revocation of Closure Order for six months with the following directions:

1. The industry shall apply for CFO order of the Board immediately.
2. The industry shall cover dust conveyor with MS sheet within 15 days.
3. The industry shall provide elevated bunker for the collection of dust within one month.
4. The industry shall provide cladding at secondary crusher within 2 months.
5. The industry shall maintain premises sufficiently wet during and after operation hours to ensure that no dust is emitted during plying of the vehicles.
6. The industry shall provide water sprinkling system to ensure that the road between crusher and quarry is wet always.
7. The industry shall provide internal road in the crusher premises within 6 months.
8. The suspended particulate matter measured between 3m and 10 m from any process equipment of stone crushing unit shall not exceed 600 micrograms/ cubic meter.
9. The industry shall develop thick greenbelt at vacant place in crusher area.

14. **M/s Maruthi Ispat & Energy Pvt Ltd, Sy.No.133 to 171, Madhavaram (V), Mantralayam (M), Kurnool District.**

The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing and complainants did not attend the legal hearing. The committee noted that the Board received a complaint from the villagers of Rachumari regarding crop damage due to the pollution problems from the industry. The committee noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions and Board directions. The representative of the industry informed that they started the work on construction of shed and will be completed by end of November, 2017. It was informed that they provided energy meters for the operation of all the air pollution control equipments at various sections. It was also informed that they provided 85 nos. of permanent water sprinklers at the coal/iron ore crusher area.

The EE, RO, Kurnool has informed that the industry has provided continuous online stack monitoring equipment to the common stack attached to Klin-I & Klin-II. The industry has not connected the online stack monitoring data to the APPCB website. It was informed that the industry has installed 01 No.s of CAAQM station for the measurement of SO₂, NOₓ & CO. The industry has not provided dust (PM₁₀) monitoring analyzer for the CAAQM station.

**Recommendations:**

The Committee after detailed discussions recommended to issue the following directions:

1. The industry shall provide closed storage facilities for storage of raw materials and products within six months time and shall scrupulously avoid open storage of raw materials, char and dolochar to minimize fugitive emissions within 3 months.
2. The industry shall provide PM₁₀ monitoring analyzer for the CAAQM station and also connect to APPCB/CPCB website within one month.
3. The industry shall connect the online stack monitoring to the common stack attached to Klin-I & Klin-II to Board web site within 15 days.

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4. The industry shall install the online stack monitoring equipment to common stack attached to Kiln-III & Kiln-IV within one month.
5. The industry shall provide the internal roads within industry premises within 3 months.
6. The industry shall dispose off the char and dust to the brick manufactures only.
7. The industry shall develop the Greenbelt within the industry premises.
8. The industry shall comply all directions issued by the Board vide order dt.21.04.2015.
8. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.


The representatives of the industry and complainants attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the Board received a complaint filed by Sri G.Narayanalreddy & 63 others of D.Hirehal & Jajarakal villages of D.Hirehal (M), Anantapuram Dist have filed petition bearing No. PLC No.18/2017 to 81/2017 in the Mandal Legal Service Authority, Rayadurgam requesting for payment of compensation stating that their crops damaged due to the pollution from the industry.

The Committee also noted that the District Collector, Anantapur Constituted a team headed by Dr.Vinod Kumar, I.A.S., Asst. Collector (under training), Sri K.S. Rama Rao, RDO, Kalyanadurgam, Sri Radha Krishna, Dy. Chief Inspector of Factories, Sri Nirmal Kumar, Agricultural Officer, Sri G.Maruthi, Tahsildar, D.Hirehal & EE, APPCB to enquire into the pollution problems created by the industry. The joint inspection report submitted to Mandal Legal Service Authority, Rayadurgam.

The Complaints have informed that they are experiencing pollution problems due to non-operation of air pollution control equipment and thereby their crops have damaged and requested for compensation.

The JCEE, ZO, Kurnool and EE, RO, Kurnool have informed that the industry is not operating air pollution control equipment and by-passing the emissions. The industry is storing huge quantities of char, dolomitic, coal and iron ore in the open area and generating lot of fugitive emissions in the surrounding area. The industry has installed one CAAQM station and not operating continuously and the data in the APPCB website is showing “data not received from the stations”. The industry is operating 10 MW power plant without obtaining CFO order of the Board. The industry has also not provided water meters for assessment of water consumption for various categories.

The representative of the industry has informed that they have provided all air pollution control equipment and operating continuously. It was also informed that they have already provided online stack monitoring system and CAAQM station as per CFO order.

The committee after detailed discussions, recommended to direct ZO & RO, Kurnool to carry out joint inspection and air monitoring (Ambient Air Quality and Stack monitoring) within and outside the premises of industry. They shall contact the complainants and carry out ambient air quality monitoring and dust fall monitoring in their presence and submit detailed report within 15 days, so as to review the next meeting.

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