EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY REVOCATION OF STOP PRODUCTION ORDER

Sub: PCB – TF – HO - M/s Bhaskar Fertilizers Ltd., Lolur(V), Singanamala(M) Gooty Road, Anantapur District – Legal Hearing held on 28.12.2017 - Extension of Temporary Revocation of Stop Production Order – Issued – Reg,


WHEREAS you are operating the industry in the name & style of M/s Bhaskar Fertilizers Ltd., at Lolur(V), Singanamala(M), Gooty Road, Anantapur Dist. to produce NPK (Sodium – Phosphorous) Fertilizers – 150 TPD and Single Super Phosphate (SSP) / Granulated Single Super Phosphate (GSSP) – 150 TPD.

WHEREAS the Board vide ref. 1st cited, issued Stop Production order to the industry under Sec.31 (A) of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1987 and under Sec.33(A) of Water (Prevention and Pollution Control) Act, 1988. You were also informed that the Board has decided to take the following steps:

1. To forfeit the Bank Guarantee of Rs.1.0 Lakh furnished by the industry towards its commitment to develop greenbelt of 33% of the total area.
2. To reject the CFO application of the industry.

WHEREAS the Board vide ref. 2nd cited, issued Temporary Revocation of stop production to industry on 26.03.2016 for period of one year with specific directions.

WHEREAS the Board vide ref. 3rd cited, issued CFO&HW authorization to the industry to manufacture NPK (sodium – Phosphorous Potassium) Fertilizers – 150 MT/day and Single Super Phosphate (SSP)/ Granulated Single Super phosphate (GSSP) -150 MT/day with a validity period up to 25.03.2022, duly stipulating necessary standards and conditions.

WHEREAS vide reference 4th cited, the SEE, ZO, Kumool inspected the industry on 28.10.2017 and furnished report on 14.12.2017 with the following observations:

1. The stack monitoring was carried out for stack attached to DEN conveyor (oven) of Single Super Phosphate unit and SPM concentration was found to be 281 mg/Nm³ against the standards of 115 mg/Nm³ and total Fluoride as 34 mg/Nm³ against the standards of 25 mg/Nm³. Thus the industry is exceeding stipulated standards.
2. The industry has not provided online pH monitoring system for the scrubber.
3. The industry has not laid internal concrete roads in the premises.
4. The industry has not developed thick greenbelt within the plant premises.

WHEREAS the ZO, Kumool vide reference 5th cited, issued Show Cause Notice to the industry on 14.12.2017 for non-compliance of Board directions and consent conditions.

WHEREAS legal hearing was conducted before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting of A.P. Pollution Control Board on 28.12.2017. The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The Committee noted that the industry is not provided online pH monitoring system for the scrubber, not provided concrete internal roads in the premises and not developed thick greenbelt. The Committee also noted the non-compliance of CFO conditions of the Board and Board’s directions. The representative of the industry informed that at
the inspection, the industry was maintenance problem in Den conveyor (Oven) and there is no technical person. So they have not met emission standards. After that the technical person has rectified the problem in Den conveyor (Connected to scrubbing system connected to chimney). They informed that sulphuric acid bottom sludge will be removed every five years. The scrubber water is recycled back to the system. The sludge accumulated at the bottom of scrubbing fluid recycling tank will be reused in the SSP mixer. They also informed that concrete internal roads will be completed by end of March' 2018. They requested they are unable to provide online pH meter, because online pH meter is very expensive and the industry is a small scale industry.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended for extension of temporary revocation of stop production for period of one year with certain directions. Accordingly, the Board hereby issue extension of temporary revocation of stop production for period of one year i.e. upto 26.03.2018 with 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 industry shall carryout TCLP test for the sludge generated during scrubbing operation and submit analysis reports within 15 days to RO, Kurnool and ZO, Kurnool.
2. The industry shall remove accumulated bottom sludge from sulphuric acid tank every year and dispose off safely.
3. The industry take necessary measures for rectification of air pollution control Equipment, so as to meet the standards prescribed by the Board with respect SPM & Fluoride concentration immediately.
4. The industry shall lay concrete internal roads in the premises within two months.
5. The industry shall develop the thick green belt within the plant premises during coming monsoon season.
6. The industry shall Immediately comply with the Task Force directions dt. 26.03.2016.
7. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of conditions issued in the CFO and HWA order.

You are hereby directed to note that, should you violate any one of the conditions mentioned above, your unit will be closed under Sec. 33 (A) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1988 and under Sec.31(A) of Air (Prevention and 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., 10.01.2018.

Sd/-
MEMBER SECRETARY

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