ANDHRA PRADESH POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
D.No.33-26-14, D/2, Near Sunrise Hospital, Pushpa Hotel Centre,
Chalamlavari street, Kasturibalpet, Vijayawada – 520 010

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DIRECTIONS

Sub: APPCB – UH-II - TF - M/s. DRA Industries Ltd., Attivaram (V), Ozili (M), SPSR
Nellore District – Non-compliance of Board directions & Consent order conditions –

2. Order No.2093/APPCB/ZO-VJA/EAC/2018-2220, dt.24.01.2018 of ZO,
   Vijayawada.
3. Industry’s request for extension of time to comply the directions issued by
   the Board on 13.04.2018.
5. Minutes of External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting held on
   30.01.2019.

WHEREAS you are operating MS/Steel Billets manufacturing industry in the name and style of
M/s. DRA Industries Ltd., Attivaram (V), Ozili (M), SPSR Nellore District to produce MS/Steel
Billets – 500 TPD.

WHEREAS vide reference 1st cited, the Board issued CFO & HW Authorization on 29.04.2017
with validity upto 31.03.2022 for manufacturing of MS/Steel Billets – 500 TPD.

WHEREAS the Zonal Office, Vijayawada vide reference 2nd cited, has issued directions to the
industry on 24.01.2018 for non-compliance of the Board’s directions.

WHEREAS the industry vide reference 3rd cited, has requested the Board vide letter
dt.13.04.2018 for grant of two more months to comply with the directions issued by the
Board.

WHEREAS vide reference 4th cited, the officials of RO, Nellore inspected the industry on
19.07.2018 and submitted the report to Board Office. The EE, RO, Nellore requested the Board
to place this issue in Task Force Committee to issue directions as the industry has not complied
CFO conditions and Board directions dt. 24.01.2018 and 10.10.2018 and observed the
following:

i. The industry is in operation.
ii. The industry has provided One number of smoke/ fume extraction unit to two nos of the
induction furnaces. The extracted smoke/fume let out into atmosphere through wet
scrubber. The Air pollution control equipment is not under operation and dense
emissions are emanating from the Induction furnace, which are neither extracted nor
controlled at the source of generation.
iii. Thick black smoke spreading all around the industry premises and dispersion of
emissions were observed along wind ward direction.
iv. The industry has not modified/ installed any new equipment for control of smoke/fumes
as informed during the EAC (TF) meeting.
v. The industry has stocked about 5,000 tons of slag in the industry premises.
vi. The industry has not taken up any steps for up-gradation of APCE till date.
vii. The industry representative informed that the solid waste i.e. Slag is reused for land
filling in their own premises. But, till date no such steps were taken up for proper
disposal of Slag and huge depositions were observed during inspection.

WHEREAS legal hearing was conducted before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force)
of A.P. Pollution Control Board in its meeting held on 30.01.2019. The representatives of the
industry attended the legal hearing. The committee reviewed the status on compliance of the
directions issued by the Zonal Office, Vijayawada vide order dt 24.01.2018 and air pollution
control equipment installation by the industry. The representatives of the industry informed that
fire accident was occurred hence, they stopped all operations during last one month and
recently started production activates. It was also informed that they have upgraded air pollution control equipment and also rectified the remaining lapses, disposal of slag. The EE, RO, Nellore informed that the industry has provided one number of fume extraction unit to two no. of the induction furnaces. The extracted smoke/fume let out into atmosphere through wet scrubber. The Air pollution control equipment is not under operation and dense emissions are emanating from the Induction furnace, which are neither extracted nor controlled at the source of generation. Thick black smoke spreading all around the industry premises and dispersion of emissions were observed along windward direction. The industry has stocked about 5,000 tons of slag in the industry premises. The industry representative informed that the solid waste i.e. Slag is reused for land filling in their own premises. It was informed that they will upgrade air pollution control system within one month and operate the same. Further, it was informed that they will comply all directions within one month.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue certain directions. The Board hereby issues 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 upgrade the existing air pollution control equipment (APCEs) attached to the industry furnaces so as to meet the Board's standards within one month. The industry shall submit the action plan for up-gradation of the existing air pollution control equipment within 15 days.
2. The industry shall have proper disposal plan for solid waste management and shall be disposed as per the conditions of CFO order duly maintaining records.
3. The industry shall not cause any air pollution problems within the industry premises.
4. The industry shall immediately submit Bank Guarantee of Rs.4.0 Lakhs in favour of EE, RO, Nellore with a validity for period of one year within 10 days towards the compliance of above directions.
5. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions stipulated by the Board.

You are hereby directed to note that, should you violate any one of the directions mentioned above, your unit will be closed under Sec.33 (A) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1988 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., 27.02.2019.

Sd/-
CHAIRMAN
APPCB

To
M/s. DRA Industries Ltd.,
Attivaram (V), Oziali (M),
SPSR Nellore District.

Copy to:
1. The Joint Chief Environmental Engineer, Zonal Office, Vijayawada for information and necessary action.
2. The Environmental Engineer, Regional Office, Nellore for information and necessary action.

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JOINT CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER
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