TEMPORARY REVOCATION OF STOP PRODUCTION ORDER


3. Industry’s request letter dt.23.05.2018.

WHEREAS you are operating a chemical manufacturing unit in the name and style of M/s. Kevy’s Labs, Plot No.31 to 34, APIIC Industries Park, Nadikudi, Dachepalli (M), Guntur District to produce inorganic chemicals.

WHEREAS the Board vide reference 1st cited, issued Consent for Operation and Hazardous Waste Authorization order vide order dt. 01.04.2016 which is valid upto 28.02.2021 to produce Calcium Chloride – 280 Kg/day, Potassium Sulfate – 200 Kg/day & DMA Hydro Chloric Acid – 190 Kg/day, subject to compliance of conditions stipulated therein.

WHEREAS the Board vide reference 2nd cited, has reviewed the status of pollution control measures taken by the industry during EAC (TF) meeting held on 18.05.2018 and issued stop production order to the industry on 17.05.2018 for complaints received against the industry regarding ground water pollution and non-compliance of consent conditions.

WHEREAS vide reference 3rd cited, the industry vide letter dt.23.05.2018 requested for revocation of stop production order.

WHEREAS vide reference 4th cited, the EE, RO, Guntur has inspected the industry on 13.06.2018 and reported the followings:

- The industry is not in operation since stop production order issued by the Board on 17.05.2018.
- The industry provided permanent pipeline for conveyance of waste water to feed into FE reactor of 3 KL capacity. Further, the industry completed permanent steam line installation to convey steam from boiler to FE reactor & ready for operation.
- The industry has repaired the pipelines & condenser to FE reactor and kept it ready for operation. The industry has provided sinterk tank for collection of waste water & floor washings for transit storage prior to feeding of waste water into FE reactor for evaporation & disposal. The industry need to provide mechanical nutch filter & drier to separate salts from FE sludge & provision to recycle the filtrate to FE feed. The details may be reviewed.
The representative informed that they will maintain records & monthly reports will be furnished to the Board here after. The details of products manufactured earlier, details of waste water generated, solid waste generation & disposal mode are yet be reported.

The representative informed that floor lining will be taken up shortly around process shed, chemical drums storage etc. Till such time employees has been trained to arrest leakages of chemical & containment of spillages to prevent contamination of run-off. The industry may be reviewed time bound plan of action to expedite paving of lined platform around process shed & chemical drums storage area and to provide forerun collection etc., to prevent contamination of run-off.

The industry has constructed closed shed for transit storage of hazardous waste adjacent to tank form area & ready for usage, which can be used to house about 600-650 Kg of dried salts.

The industry has installed online pH meter to monitor pH of the scrubber solution & ready for operation. The scrubber for extraction of process emissions was repaired and the pipelines are re-installed to operate the scrubber.

The openly dumped boiler ash was removed & provided shed for transit storage till disposal.

The industry has provided lined platform to accommodate about 30-35 No. of chemical drums. The industry need to further extend the lined platform to store the remaining drums & to stop storage of chemical drums on open ground.

The industry may be reviewed to prevent re-occurrence of violation i.e., manufacturing of un-consented products / manufacturing of API/Bulk Drug intermediate till CFE & EC are obtained for manufacturing of bulk drug intermediates, specific commitment may be obtained in this regard.

WHEREAS legal hearing was conducted before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force) of A.P. Pollution Control Board on 04.07.2018. The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The Committee noted that the Board issued stop production order to the industry on 17.05.2018 for complaints received against the industry regarding ground water pollution and non-compliance of consent conditions. The committee noted the status of compliance of Board directions and CFO conditions. The EE, RO, Guntur has informed that at present the industry was not in operation. It was informed that the industry has provided permanent pipeline for conveyance of waste water to feed into FE reactor of 3 KL capacity. Further, the industry completed permanent steam line installation to convey steam from boiler to FE reactor & ready for operation. The industry has provided sintex tank for collection of waste water & floor washings for transit storage prior to feeding of waste water into FE reactor for evaporation & disposal. During the meeting the industry has submitted a commitment letter that they will manufacture only consented products. The representative of the industry informed that they constructed closed shed for transit storage of hazardous waste adjacent to tank form area & ready for usage, which can be used to house about 600-650 Kg of dried salts. It was also informed that they installed online pH meter to monitor pH of the scrubber solution & ready for operation. The scrubber for extraction of process emissions was repaired and the pipelines are re-installed to operate the scrubber. It was further informed that they provided lined platform to accommodate about 30-35 No. of chemical drums.

After detailed discussions, the Committee recommended to issue Temporary Revocation of Stop Production order with certain directions. Accordingly, the Board hereby issues Temporary Revocation of Stop Production Order for a period of one year 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 not manufacture any un-consented products without prior permission from the Board.

2. The industry shall continuously operate the Effluent Treatment Plant followed by Forced Evaporation system and maintain log records.
3. The industry shall provide mechanical nutch filter & drier to separate salts from FE sludge & provision to recycle the filtrate to FE feed within 3 months.
4. The industry shall continuously operate the air pollution control equipment so as to meet the Board’s standards and maintain the log records.
5. The industry shall provide flow meter with totaliser to quantify the waste water treated in the FE reactor within one month.
6. The industry shall maintain log registers of energy meters of treatment systems and flow meters pertaining to wastewater generation, treatment in ETP and shall maintain proper records. The consolidated records shall be furnished to EE, RO, Guntur.
7. The industry shall provide closed room for storage of the Hazardous Waste and shall dispose off to TSDF regularly.
8. The industry shall provide lined platform of adequate area around process shed with leachate collection system for storage off chemical drums within one month.
9. The industry shall not cause ground water pollution in and around the industry premises.
10. The industry shall not discharge any waste water outside the premises under any circumstances.
11. The industry shall take all required measures to mitigate odour nuisance in the surrounding environment.
12. The industry shall maintain thick green belt all along the periphery in the industry premises.
13. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of conditions issued in the CFO and HWA order.

You are hereby directed to note that, should you misuse this order to operate the unit beyond the time period given to you and violate any one of the conditions mentioned above, your unit will be closed under Sec.33 (A) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1988, and under Section 31 (A) of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1987, in the interest of Public Health and Environment and you will be also liable for prosecution in the Court of Judicial Magistrate First Class under Sec.41 (2) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1988 and under Sec.37 (1) of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1987, the punishment for which includes imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than one year six months and which may be extended to six years and with fine.

This Order comes into effect from today i.e. 24.07.2018.

Sd/-
MEMBER SECRETARY

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

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