REVOCAION OF STOP PRODUCTION ORDER


5. External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting is held on 04.02.2017.

Whereas you are operating the Industry in the name & style of M/s. Sri Venkateswara Rice Industry, R.Sy. No. 173, Gandepalli (V & M), East Godavari District and engaged in the production of Steamed Rice & Raw Rice.

Whereas the Board vide reference 1st cited, issued Consent for operation (CFO) your Industry on 04.04.2016, to produce Steam Rice – 20 TPD and Raw Rice – 45 TPD which was expired on 31.12.2016.

Whereas the Zonal Office, Visakhapatnam vide reference 2nd cited, reviewed the status of your Industry before External Advisory Committee (Task Force) meeting held on 28.10.2016 and issued stop production order to the Industry on 28.10.2016 for non-compliance of Board directions.

Whereas the rice mill represented vide reference 3rd cited, to the Board stating that the Board issued CFO for operating Steam Rice – 20 TPD and Raw Rice – 40 TPD only. Further, represented that they have rectified husk storage room openings, closed down the unlined lagoon, raised the wall height by providing GI sheet coverings towards Eastern & Southern directions husk storage room, planted saplings towards Eastern & Western direction around compound wall and installing additional wet scrubber as air pollution control equipment to the boiler along with separate energy meter.

Whereas vide reference 4th cited, the officials of Regional Office, Kakinada has inspected the rice mill on 28.01.2017 and observed the following:

1. M/s. Venkateswara Rice Mill located at Gandepalli(V&M), East Godavari District CFO of the Board for producing Steamed Rice-20 TPD & Raw Rice-45 TPD respectively and which was expired on 31.12.2016. As per CFO, the total water consumption is 13 KLD(Boiler makeup-10KLD, Domestic-3KLD) and waste water generation is 2.5KLD(Boiler blow down-1.5KLD, Domestic-1 KLD). The rice mill is having total land of 2.75 acres(Own land-2.69 acres and agreement land-6 cents).
2. Kothapeta Colony residential houses and huts are located in the Eastern & Southern direction abutting to M/s. Sri Venkateswara Rice Industry. Kothapeta Colony is having residential houses of about 800 Nos.
3. The rice mill provided husk and ash storage rooms. The husk delivery pipe which was kept open is rectified and kept into husk storage room. The raw rice shed openings at the top were covered to control fugitive emissions.
4. Earlier, the boiler blow down waste water is being stored in un-lined lagoon located in the North-East corner was closed.
5. The rice mill is having 3TPH boiler to which multi cyclones(2nos.) were provided as air pollution control equipment. On the day of inspection, the industry is installing additional wet scrubber to the existing cyclones to control point source emissions from chimney. The rice mill provided energy meter to the Air Pollution Control Equipment.
6. The rice mill raised the wall height by providing GI sheet coverings towards Eastern direction but needs to raise the wall height or provide curtains on the wall towards village side i.e., Southern direction.
7. The rice mill planted eucalyptus saplings within the premises in towards Eastern direction and near husk storage room. But, needs to develop greenbelt in the Southern direction i.e. towards village side.

Whereas vide reference 5th cited, legal hearing was conducted before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting of A.P. Pollution Control Board on 04.02.2017. The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the ZO, Visakhapatnam issued closure orders for non-compliance of CFO order conditions and the directions of the Board. The representative of the industry informed that they have closed down the unlined lagoon, rectified openings of husk storage room and raised the height of wall by providing GI sheet towards Eastern & Southern directions to avoid husk being carried away. It was also informed that they installed additional wet scrubber as air pollution control equipment to the boiler along with separate energy meter. It was informed that planted saplings in Eastern & Western direction around compound wall. Finally, the management requested the Board to revocation of stop production order.

The Committee after detailed discussions, recommended to issue revocation of stop production with following directions:

1. The industry shall install wet scrubbers for 3 TPH Boiler in addition to the existing multi cyclone dust collectors as committed by the management within two months.
2. The industry shall raise height of wall with GI sheet towards village side i.e., Southern direction.
3. The industry shall store the husk & husk ash in closed rooms only. The industry shall not store the husk & husk ash openly.
4. The industry shall maintain good house-keeping within the premises.
5. The industry shall develop the Green Belt in the Eastern and Southern directions towards village side.

This Order is issued under Sec. 33(A) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1988 and under Sec. 31(A) of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1987.

Further, you are 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., 01.03.2017.

Sd/-
MEMBER SECRETARY

To
M/s. Sri Venkateswara Rice Industry,
R.Sy.No.173, Gandepalli(V &M),
East Godavari District. – 533 294

Copy to:
1. The Joint Chief Environmental Engineer, ZO, Visakhapatnam for information.
2. The Environmental Engineer, Regional Office, Kakinada for information. He is direct to monitor the progress on compliance of above directions and to take necessary action.

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JOINT CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER
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