ANDHRA PRADESH POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
PARYAVARAN BHAVAN, A-3, INDUSTRIAL ESTATE,
SANATHNAGAR, HYDERABAD - 500 018.

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Order No.178/APPCB/UH-II/TF/VJA/2017-

Date: 06.05.2017

DIRECTIONS

Sub: APPCB – TF - HO - M/s. Vijay Agro Products (P) Ltd., Enikepadu (V), Vijayawada Rural, Krishna District – Complaint received against industry - Legal Hearing held on 24.03.2017 - Directions - Issued - Reg.

   2. Telephonic Complaint received from Sri V.Shyam Sundar & others of Prasadampadu (V), on 24.01.2017.
   5. External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting held on 24.03.2017.

WHEREAS you are operating an industry in the name and style of M/s. Vijay Agro Products (P) Ltd., Enikepadu (V), Vijayawada Rural, Krishna District and having a Bio mass Power plant and a Solvent extraction & Refinery unit.

WHEREAS vide reference 1st cited, the industry obtained CFOs separately for the two units. The Bio mass Power plant is having CFO of the Board for a period valid upto 31.01.2022. The Solvent extraction and Refinery unit is having CFO of the Board for a period valid up to 31.03.2017.

WHEREAS vide reference 2nd cited, the Regional Office, Vijayawada received a complaint from Sri Shyam Sundar, Sri K.Srinivasa Rao & others, Prasadampadu (V), Vijayawada Rural (M), Krishna District against Pollution problems being caused by the industries located in Enikepadu area, Vijayawada (M), Krishna District. The Complainants stating that they were facing lot of air pollution problems due to operation of the industries, located in that area.

WHEREAS vide reference 3rd cited, the officials of Regional Office, Vijayawada has inspected the industry on 24.01.2017 and observed the following:

1. On the day of inspection, the bio mass power plant was not under operation and only refinery unit (Physical refining) of 150 TPD capacity was under operation. The 12 TPH boiler provided for refining unit was under operation. The boiler is provided with dust collector as air pollution control system which is not adequate.

2. The industry has not provided stack monitoring provision like ladder, platform, port hole etc. for carrying out stack monitoring for the stack attached to the boiler. Lot of thick black smoke was observed during inspection. Stack monitoring could not be conducted to measure the dust emissions in the flue gas being released through chimney as the stack is not provided with monitoring provision.

3. Lot of ash was observed to be stored openly nearby boiler causing fugitive emissions in the surroundings. Ash was observed to be piled up and stagnated. No wetting / water sprinkling were observed on the ash heaps.

4. It is ascertained that the emissions from the stack and the ash heaps are the sources for causing dust (ash) pollution problems to the complainants.

5. The ETP was observed to be not in operation and the process effluent was stored in unlined lagoons within the industry premises. The boiler blow down, cooling blow down, DM Plant back water and domestic waste water were observed to be discharged into Guntathippa drain which in turn joins Budameru.

WHEREAS vide reference 4th cited the Regional Office, Vijayawada has issued notice to the industry vide notice dt.28.01.2017 for causing water and air pollution problems.
WHEREAS vide reference 5th cited, legal hearing was conducted before the External Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting of A.P. Pollution Control Board on 24.03.2017 to review the status of the industry. The representatives of the industry and complainants attended the legal hearing. The committee noted that the Board received a Complaint from Sri Shyam Sundar, Sri K. Srinivasa Rao & others, Prasadampadu (V), Vijayawada Rural (M), Krishna District regarding pollution problems being caused by the industries located in Enikepadu area, Vijayawada (M), Krishna District. The Complainants informed that they are facing lot of air pollution problems due to operation of the industry and also informed that fine dust particles are flying on the houses and heavy pollution problems are facing in during night time. The committee observed that the industry is not operating Effluent Treatment Plant and discharging effluents into Guntathippena drain which in turn joins Budameru. The EE, RO, Vijayawada has informed that the industry not provided port hole with platform for carrying out stack monitoring for the stack attached to the boiler and lot of ash was observed to be stored openly nearby boiler causing fugitive emissions in the surroundings. The representative of the industry informed that they will upgrade the air pollution control equipment attached to 12 TPH Boiler and will be completed by end of June 2017. It was also informed that they are operating the Effluent Treatment Plant continuously and not discharging effluents into Guntathippena drain. It was also informed that the industry is utilizing treated waste water for plantation purpose and dust suppression.

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

1. The industry shall upgrade the air pollution control equipment attached to 12 TPH boiler within 3 months and shall not operate 12 TPH boiler till the upgradation of air pollution control equipment.
2. The industry shall provide proper stack emission sampling/arrangements for the stack attached to the 12TPH Boiler. The industry shall also provide online stack monitoring and connect to APPCB website within 2 months.
3. The industry shall upgrade the existing Effluent Treatment Plant within 2 months.
4. The industry shall provide water sprinklers at ash collection/storage yard and coal yards within one month.
5. The industry shall not cause any air pollution problems in surrounding area.
6. The industry shall not discharge treated effluents/un-treated effluents into Guntathippena drain.
7. The industry shall maintain good housekeeping in the industry premises.
8. The industry shall ensure continuous compliance of the conditions issued in the CFO & HWA order.

This order is issued 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.

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., 06.05.2017.

Sd/-
MEMBER SECRETARY

To
M/s. Vijay Agro Products (P) Ltd.,
Enikepadu (V), Vijayawada Rural,
Krishna District.

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

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JOINT CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER

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