DIRECTIONS

Sub: APPCB – TF - HO - M/s. Visakhapatnam Port Trust, Visakhapatnam –
Non-compliance of Board directions and consent order conditions – Legal
hearing held on 30.12.2016 - Directions - Issued - Reg.

8. Inspection of the Visakhapatnam Port Trust by the Board officials on
9. External Advisory Committee (Task Force) meeting held on

WHEREAS you are operating Port facility in the name & style of M/s.Visakhapatnam
Port Trust (VPT), Visakhapatnam and involved in handling dusty cargos like Coal, Iron
Ore, Fertilizers, Fertilizer raw materials, Manganese ore etc.

WHEREAS vide references 1st cited, the Board issued Consent for Operation and
Hazardous Waste Authorization order to handling of cargo – 34.1 Million MT/Annum

WHEREAS vide references 2nd cited, the Board issued certain directions to the Port on

WHEREAS vide reference 3rd to 7th cited, the Board issued certain directions to the Port
of consent order conditions and Board directions.

WHEREAS vide reference 8th cited, the EE, RO, Visakhapatnam inspected the M/s.
Visakhapatnam Port Trust facility on 15.12.2016 and submitted the compliance report.

WHEREAS vide reference 9th cited, legal hearing was conducted before the External
Advisory Committee (Task Force) Meeting of A.P. Pollution Control Board on
30.12.2016. The representatives of the industry attended the legal hearing. The
committee noted the non-compliance of CFO order conditions and the directions of the
Board. The committee discussed issues relating to covering of all stock yards of dusty
cargos with tarpaulin, action plan for reorganization of coal stacking yards which are
nearer to the city and re-furbishing of all the existing mechanical dust suppression
systems. The representatives of the industry is informed that Installation of new /
refurbishing the existing Mechanical Dust Suppression Systems (MDSS) as required at
S4 and WOB areas was completed by end of April 2016. However, during operations
certain sprinklers are getting damaged and are being attended regularly, for which AMC
is in place. It was informed that Certain storm water drains are there in port areas,
However, this will be examined further. They engaged 62 sweeping labour on daily
basis for cleaning of port operational roads. The flyovers are under the control of NHAI
and other roads as mentioned are under the control of GVMC. It was also informed that
The EQ1A berth construction along with mechanization taken up by M/s SEW is
expected to be ready by June 2017. The Port has informed that as per the directions of the A.P.Pollution Control Board three stations CAAQM stations installed and three stations data is uploaded to APPCB/CPCB web site.

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

1. **The port shall submit an action plan for providing MDSS system at the newly established stacking yards at L7, Dock area, East side within 15 days.**
2. **The port shall clean the port road (fly over) with road Sweeper instead of cleaning with manual.**
3. **The port shall install display board at convent junction for the display of AAQ data of all the 3 CAAQM stations for access to the public.**
4. **The port shall rectify all the MDSS system provided at WQ area.**
5. **The port shall not store any dusty cargo where there is no MDSS system.**

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, action will be initiated 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., **30.01.2017.**

Sd/-
MEMBER SECRETARY

To
The Chief Engineer,
M/s. Visakhapatnam Port Trust,
Visakhapatnam.

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

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