Do You Know

EODB Reforms Initiated By A.P. Pollution Control Board?

- Filing of CFE & CFO applications, required fee and necessary enclosures through online i.e., A.P. Single Desk Portal.
- No physical touch point in filing of applications, documents, payment of fee etc.,
- Consent orders are being uploaded with digital signature in the A.P. Single Desk Portal.
- Consent for Establishment order validity period is increased from 5 years to 7 years.
- Consent for Operation (CFO) validity period increased from 3/4/5 years (Red/Orange/Green) to 5/10/15 years (R/O/G).
- Reduced time frame for processing of consents from 45/21/15 days to 21/15/7 days (R/O/G category industries).
- Introduced Auto Renewal system (Green Channel) to renew CFO orders based on self-certification of the industry. No physical inspection is required for renewing the consent order.
- Green and white categories of industries are exempted for compliance inspections.
- Third party inspections by the Universities i.e., Andhra University; JNTU, Kakinada and Anantapuram; Nagarjuna University and S.V. University for certain water pollution potential of Orange category industries.
- Now, certain MSME units with investment less than Rs. 20 Crores will get all the clearances at District APPCB Office.
Monitoring of Industries:
The Board introduced computerized allocation of inspectors to inspect high Risk / highly polluting industries in the state once in every 6 months. The computer allocates two industries in month to each inspector. The concerned officer inspects the industries and uploads the reports within 48 hours from the date of inspection into the Central Inspection System operated by the Government of Andhra Pradesh. The report is communicated to the industry automatically through the software. If the industry is non-compliant with the conditions stipulated by the Board, the External Advisory Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chairman / Member Secretary reviews the report and issues necessary directions to the industry.

Ease of Doing Business:

By implementing above reforms, the AP State achieved the following ranks in Ease of Doing Business:

- In 2015, APPCB Scored 85.19% on Environmental parameters and the AP State stood second in the country.
- In 2016, out of 350 parameters, 49 belong to APPCB. The Board implemented all the environmental parameters and secured 100%. Andhra Pradesh and Telangana States stood first in the Country.
- In 2017, out of 372 parameters, 44 belong to APPCB. The Board implemented all the environmental parameters and secured 100%. Andhra Pradesh stood first in the Country.