M/s. Sri Lakshmi Ganapathi Stone crusher, (Formerly M/s. Ayyappa Stone Crusher), R.S.No.311, Duddukuru(V), Devarapalli(M), West Godavari District applied CFO for producing granite metal chips of various sizes of capacity 3000 TPA in an area of 3.0 acres.

The Environmental Engineer, Regional Office, Visakhapatnam submitted the verification report vide reference 2nd cited.

The CFO application of the industry and verification report of RO, Eluru were placed before the CFO Committee meeting held on 09.07.2019. The committee observed that i) the unit obtained CFE on 07.08.2007 in the name of M/s. Ayyappa Stone Crusher of capacity 3000 TPA in an area of 3.0 acres, ii) the crusher was taken over on lease and applied for CFE on 05.08.2015 in the name of M/s. Sri Lakshmi Ganapathi Stone crusher for a capacity 3600 TPA and the same was rejected on 21.08.2015 as the proposed site is only 2.0 acres against the required total land of 3.0 acres as per the siting guidelines and not proposed any air pollution control equipment to control the dust emissions, iii) the crusher was issued with closure order on 14.11.2018 as the unit is operating without CFO of the Board, not provided any air pollution control equipment and the SPM value recorded in the ambient air quality monitoring conducted in the crusher is 3066 µg/Nm³ which is exceeding the prescribed standard of 600 µg/Nm³, iv) now, the crusher applied for CFO of the Board v) the closure order dt: 14.11.2018 issued by the Board is in force and v) the total area of crusher as per the RO, Eluru verification report dated: 28.06.2019 & topo plan of the site is only 1 acre against the required total land of 3.0 acres as per the siting guidelines. The representative of the industry attended the meeting informed that the total area of land is 2.0 acres and has provided required air pollution control equipment whereas, he could not explain the reasons for operating the crusher without obtaining statutory permissions after the rejection of the CFE application by the Board and prior to issue of closure order dt: 14.11.2018.

The committee noted that the proposed site is not meeting with APPCB siting guidelines for establishment of Stone Crusher w.r.t minimum required area and not obtained revocation of closure order. The committee also opined that a crusher of 3600 TPA capacity cannot be maintained in an area of less than 3.0 acres. After discussion, the committee recommended to reject the CFO of the industry for the above reasons.
Hence, the CFO application filed by the M/s. Sri Lakshmi Ganapathi Stone crusher is herewith rejected for the above stated reasons.

It is also brought to your notice that operation of the industry without having valid consents of the Board is violation of Section 25/26 of Water Act and Section 21/22 of Air Act which is punishable under section 44 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and under section 37 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

To
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