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Sub: APPCB – CFE & CFO for manufacturing / formulation of Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulation activity in the state of Andhra Pradesh – Instructions issued - Reg.

Ref: Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) outbreak in the Country and abroad.

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Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board is issuing consent under Section 25 and 26 of Water (P&CP) Act, 1974 and section 21 of the Air (P&CP) Act, 1981 for establishing the industry and regulating their outlet / discharges. As a part of comprehensive system to handle the Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) outbreak, production of Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulation are to be ensured. The Government of India lifted the ban to export the Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulation to other countries based on their requests, to control the outbreak of Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) in their countries and to survive the lives of the people.

Some of the bulk drug manufacturing industries in Andhra Pradesh are coming forward to manufacture Hydroxychloroquine to meet the global demand. Under this emergency situation, the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board deems it necessary to expedite the process of issuance of consent / permissions to the industries those wish to manufacture Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulation. The Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board deems it necessary that all the project / activity manufacturing Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulation are considered as a priority activity as an interim measure.

Now, therefore, the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board in public interest hereby makes the following amendment in the process of granting CFE order and CFO order for manufacturing in bulk / formulation of Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in the state of Andhra Pradesh:

- Any **existing bulk drug unit** can start Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulation activity immediately. The industry shall ensure that total production capacity including Hydroxychloroquine in bulk shall not exceed the consented production capacity of existing unit. Similarly pollution load shall not exceed existing permitted quantity i.e., the quantity water consumed, waste water generated, solid waste generated, air pollution sources shall not change / exceed the quantities permitted in the existing CFE order issued by the Board. The existing industry should have valid CFO order and shall comply with all the conditions stipulated by the Board.

- Any **existing Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates bulk manufacturing unit** can start formulation activity immediately. Pollution load shall not exceed existing permitted quantity i.e., the quantity water consumed, waste water generated, solid waste generated, air pollution sources shall not change / exceed the quantities permitted in the existing CFE order issued by the Board. The existing industry should have valid CFO order and shall comply with all the conditions stipulated by the Board.
- The proposals for Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk / formulations shall be considered on priority keeping in view the emergency situation. In the first instance, the above mentioned existing industries shall inform their intention to produce Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates in bulk (or) formulation **on their letter head to the Member Secretary of the Board**. The scanned copy of above request letter along with copies of CFE order and CFO order are to be sent to the Member Secretary through **e-mail** duly marking copy to the Jcee, UH-1; Jcee, UH-4; concerned Zonal Officer and concerned Regional Officer for record.
- **Subsequently, the industry shall apply for CFE / CFO of the Board along with EMP in one month** through A.P. Single Desk Portal along with required CFE / CFO fee as per present practice.
- **The CFE / CFO orders will be issued by the APPCB for a temporary period of six months as per the powers delegated by the Board.** The above orders will be issued in pollution control angle only.
- Any project proponent intends to establish a new Hydroxychloroquine or its intermediates manufacturing (bulk drug) industry, Environmental Clearance shall be obtained from the SEIAA, AP and apply for CFE of the Board through A.P. Single Desk Portal duly following the procedure in vogue. CFO order will be issued after completion of construction of the plant in all aspects.
- Any project proponent intends to establish a new Hydroxychloroquine formulation industry, they can apply for CFE of the Board through A.P. Single Desk Portal duly following the procedure in vogue. CFO order will be issued after completion of construction of the plant.
- The industries (new / existing) shall submit the production details of all the products **every fortnight** to the concerned RO and ZO.

This Circular comes into effect from the date of issue and shall be **in force till 30 September, 2020** and shall be scrupulously followed by all the Officers of the Board.

BANDLA SIVA SANKARA PRASAD

CHAIRMAN

To

- a) All the Zonal Officers and Regional Officers.**
- b) All the Unit Heads at Head Office.**