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F. No. DPCC/WMC II/OA 21(AshwaniYadav)/2023/4595-46/2

Dated : 22-06-2023

Subject: Directions u/s 33(A) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 read along with Rule 34 (6) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Rules, 1975.

- 1. Central Pollution Control Board is the State Board for all the Union Territories to exercise powers and perform functions under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, as amended to date.
- Central Pollution Control Board has delegated all its powers and functions under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention &Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 in respect of Union Territory of Delhi-to-Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) vide Notification No.S.O.198 (E) Dated 15.03.1991.
- 3. It is a mandatory provision under u/s 25/26 of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 that no person without the previous consent of the DPCC shall establish or take any steps to establish any industry, operation or process or any treatment and disposal system an extension or addition thereto, which is likely to discharge sewage or trade effluent into a stream or well or sewer or on land.
- 4. Dyeing units and Jeans / Denim washing units are highly water polluting units. Their effluent is substantial. These units use various type of dyes and chemicals. Presence of dyes and other chemicals together make the textile effluent highly toxic. The effluent is also carcinogenic due to release of various harmful chemicals including heavy metals. The colloidal matter present in addition to the colours and the oily scum raises the turbidity, makes the water look foamy and smell bad, and inhibits the sunlight affecting self-cleaning property of Water Bodies / River Yamuna.
- 5. Effluent from illegal Dyeing activity and illegal Jeans / Denim washing activity has very detrimental effect on Water Bodies / River Yamuna and on human health as well as on flora and fauna.
- 6. The High-Level Committee on Rejuvenation of River Yamuna chaired by Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Delhi highlighted existence of illegal Dyeing units and illegal Jeans / Denim washing units which contribute substantial pollution in natural /storm water drains and river Yamuna.
- 7. In view of the orders dated 07.05.2004 of Hon'ble Supreme Court in I.A. No 22 in WP(C) No. 4677 of 1985 titled as "M.C. Mehta Vs. Union of India & Others", no industry can function in violation of the Master Plan of Delhi in areas which are non-Conforming for the activity. As such the question of giving consent to any unit, which is in non-conformity with the Master Plan of Delhi does not arise. Also, an activity even in the Approved Industrial Areas / Industrial Estates / Redevelopment Areas will be illegal if it does not have the consent from DPCC. This assumes particular significance in case of polluting units.

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8. In view of the above and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 33(A) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 read along with Rule 34 (6) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Rules, 1975, all Dyeing units and Jeans / Denim washing units operating outside the Approved Industrial Areas / Industrial Estates / Redevelopment Areas or operating within the Approved Industrial Areas / Industrial Estates / Redevelopment Areas but without mandatory consent of DPCC are therefore ordered to be closed / sealed with immediate effect. All the Local Bodies (Municipal Corporation of Delhi, New Delhi Municipal Council & Delhi Cantonment Board) and Delhi Development Authority shall ensure the closure / sealing including disconnection of their Electricity and Water Supply and send the Action Taken Report on the effective closure to DPCC, accordingly.

22/6/13 (Ashwani Kumar) Chairman, DPCC

To,

- 1. Vice Chairman, Delhi Development Authority, Vikas Sadan, INA, Delhi-110023.
- 2. Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Council, Palika Kendra, New Delhi-110001.
- 3. Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Delhi, 9th Floor, Dr. S.P.M Civic Center, J.L.Nehru Marg, Delhi-110002
- 4. Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Cantonment Board, Sadar Bazar, Delhi Cantt. Delhi-10.
- 5. Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Jal Board, Varunalaya, Phase -II, Jhandewalan, Delhi-110005.
- 6. The General Manager, BSES Yamuna Power Ltd., 3rd Floor Shakti Kiran Building, Karkardooma, Near Karkardooma Court, Delhi-110032.
- 7. The General Manager, BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd., BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place, Near Nehru Place Bus Terminal, New Delhi-110019
- 8. The General Manager, NDPL, NDPL House, Hudson Lane, Kingsway Camp, Delhi-110009

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- 2. Additional Chief Secretary (Industries), Department of Units, Govt. of NCT of Delhi. 419, Udyog Sadan, FIE Patpargani, Delhi-92
- 3. Pr. Secretary to Hon'ble Lt. Governor, GNCTD, Raj Niwas, Delhi -110054.
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- 5. Pr. Secretary (Env.), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 6th Floor, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi-02.
- 6. Secretary (Power), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 6thFloor, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi-02.
- 7. Secretary to Environment Minister, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 7th Level, Delhi Secretariat, Delhi -02.
- 8. Spl. Secretary (Env.) Cum Member Secretary, Delhi Pollution Control Committee, 6th Floor, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi-02.
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