

To,
All HCF and Blood Banks
Punjab

As per the Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998, liquid biological waste such as ascetic, pleural and cancer fluids (AF/IPF and CF), HBsAg+ve blood bags are required to be chemically treated and disinfected before its disposal. The hospitals and health care facilities incur substantial cost for this. Improper treatment may cause environmental damage and / or impact the health of the people exposed to it.

Punjab Pollution Control Board has authorized Yashraj Biotechnology Ltd. (YBL) to collect liquid biomedical waste from Healthcare facilities and Blood banks in Punjab State. Yashraj Biotechnology Ltd is into Research and Development of indigenous process for purification of native antigens from human biological source. These are essential ingredients in developing cost effective diagnostic tests for human health care purposes.

YBL has achieved very encouraging results in purifying some proteins from the biomedical fluids. However, the quantities of the antigens in the fluids are very small and there are significant losses during the cumbersome, multistage purification processes. This necessitates continuation of Research and Development and need to source quantities of biomedical fluids on continued basis.

In view of the above, all HCF are requested to provide liquid waste to our representative from our collection centers in the State of Punjab. If you need any other details we would be happy to provide it.

PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD,
Plot No.-55, Nodal Office, Phase-2, SAS Nagar, Punjab

In above regard, it is intimated that M/s Yashraj Bio-technology Limited, Navi Mumbai has been given authorization under Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998 for collection, storage and transport of liquid waste (i.e. Category 8 of Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998) which is valid upto 31.12.2018.

All HCFs are requested to provide their infected liquid waste to the said facility and contribute in Research and Development as well as to the waste management.

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