



ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਰੋਕਥਾਮ ਬੋਰਡ
PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. PPCB/Mega/2020/ 161
Date: 5/3/20 20

OFFICE ORDER

Subject: Processing of applications received from Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) units on priority.

A meeting was held on 10.10.2019 under the chairmanship of Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) to discuss various Policy issues, including environmental clearance, operational and other issues raised by the Indian Drug Manufacturers' Association (IDMA) & Bulk Drug Manufacturers' Association (BDMA). One of the issues raised by the said Association was exemption to Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) units from obtaining "Consent to Establish" (CTE) and "Consent to Operate" (CTO) under the Water Act, 1974 as these units are investing large capital for installation & operation of the Zero Liquid Discharge system and also not discharging effluent into environment.

2. That the CPCB considered the matter in the meeting and observed that ZLD units are generating toxic effluent during process and are not dry units. Hence, exemption from obtaining CTE and CTO cannot be granted under section 25 / 26 of the Water Act, 1974.

3. That the CPCB decided that a fast track mechanism for ZLD units should be considered by SPCBs for issuance of CTE / CTO.

4. That the Punjab Pollution Control Board has already provided an online facility for industries / other project proponents to submit consent / authorization applications through online consent Management and Monitoring System (OCMMS).

6. That the matter has been considered by the Competent Authority of the Board and it has been decided that the applications received from the project proponents of Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) units through OCMMS shall be dealt / processed on priority by the Zonal Offices as well as Regional Offices of the Board for deciding their applications on merits for CTE/ CTO under the Water Act, 1974 and Air Act, 1981.

This order will come into force with immediate effect.

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Chairman

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi- 110032 for information please.

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Chairman

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Director, Department of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, Bridge Market, 17D, Sector 17, Chandigarh-160017 for information please.

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Member Secretary