



ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਰੋਕਥਾਮ ਬੋਰਡ
PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. EPA/2020/04

Dated: 9/6/20

OFFICE ORDER

Subject: Regarding considering dental clinics having one chair and other clinics having one examination table as non-bedded Health-Care Facility.

Whereas Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi vide notification no. G.S.R. 343(E) dated 28.03.2016 has notified Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016.

And whereas, as per rule 10 of the said rules, each & every health care facility, bedded or non-bedded is required to obtain authorization from the State Pollution Control Board. The authorization shall be one time for non-bedded occupiers.

And whereas, the Indian Dental Association, Punjab vide letter dated 17.07.2019 has represented to the Board mentioning that the medical & dental practices are different specialties as dental clinics have one dental chair which is used for examination of patients and not for admission of the patient due to which meagre quantity of bio-medical waste is generated. The Indian Dental Association has, therefore, requested not to consider one single dental chair equivalent to one bed.

And whereas, the said representation of IDA was discussed in a meeting of the senior officers of the Board and during discussion it was brought out that one dental chair is only used for examination of patients and not for admission purpose due to which one dental chair cannot be considered at par with one bed, which is used for admission purpose and further type & quantity of bio-medical waste generated cannot be equated. It was also brought that some clinics have one examination table & such clinics do not have patient admission facilities. Therefore, after deliberation, it was decided as under.

"All the dental clinics having one dental chair as well as the other clinics having one examination table shall be considered as non-bedded Health Care Facility as far as applicability of the BMW Rules, 2016 is concerned. However such HCEs shall submit an undertaking to the effect that they are not having facility to admit and to keep the patient for a day under observation, at the time of obtaining authorization from the Board as required under the provisions of the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016"

The above decision shall come into force with immediate effect.

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Member Secretary

Endst. 1818-43

Dated: 9/6/20

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. The Chief Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Ludhiana, Bathinda, Patiala and Jalandhar.
2. The Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office- Ludhiana-I/II; Patiala-I/II; Amritsar, Jalandhar and Bathinda.
3. The Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office- Patiala/SAS Nagar/Jalandhar/ Ludhiana-I/II/III/IV/Fatehgarh Sahib/ Faridkot/ Sangrur/ Hoshiarpur/ Bathinda/Batala and Amritsar.
4. The Environmental Engineer (Computer-Section), PPCB, Patiala. He is requested to upload the office order on the Board's website.

K. G. G.
9/6/2020
Member Secretary

Endst.

Dated:

A copy of the above is forwarded to the State Secretary, Indian Dental Association, 212, Defence Colony, Jalandhar for information w.r.t their representation dated 17.07.2019.

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Member Secretary