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PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. 386

Dated. 17/11/22

OFFICE ORDER

Subject: Deemed approval of Consents, Clearances and No Objection Certificates under the Pollution Control Laws.

With a view to promote the ease of doing business in the State of Punjab by way of making the process of issuance of Regulatory clearances time bound, the Government of Punjab has amended the Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion Act, 2016 vide notification No. 15-leg/2021 dated 6th of April, 2021, so as to boost economic growth and development and to promote entrepreneurship and investments.

Whereas, no objection certificates, consents to establish and operate granted by Punjab Pollution Control Board under the provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and grant of authorizations under the Hazardous Waste Management Rules have been included and covered under the Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion (Amendment) Act, 2021 for time bound disposal for which time limits have been prescribed under the Punjab Transparency and Accountability in Delivery of Public Services Act, 2018;

And whereas, the Government of Punjab has notified the procedure alongwith the eligible services for grant of deemed approval in accordance with the provisions made under Section 8 (B) of the Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion (Amendment) Act, 2021, wherein the consents, clearances and no objection certificates being granted by the Punjab Pollution Control Board have been included and listed as under:

S. No.	Name of approval	Name of the Act / Rules	Category of industry	Stipulated time limits.
1	Consent to Establish (CTE)	1. The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974. 2. The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.	1. Large and Medium a. Green b. Red and Orange 2. Small	15 days 21 days 15 days

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2	Consent to operate (CTO) Air	The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981	1. Large and Medium a. Red / Orange b. Green 2. Small Red/Orange/Green Large	30 days 15 days 15 days 30 days
3	Consent to operate (CTO) Water	The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974	1. Large and Medium a. Red / Orange b. Green 2. Small Red/Orange/Green Large	30 days 15 days 15 days 30 days
4	Consent to Operate (CTO) Hazardous Waste Management	Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016		20 days

And whereas, Section 8 (B) (i) of the Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion (Amendment) Act, 2021 provides that upon failure of the Competent Authority to issue clearance to any application filed on the online portal, within the stipulated time, the application shall be deemed to have been issued such clearance provided that the application is complete in all respects including the submission of requisite fees and an undertaking by the applicant to comply with all provisions of the relevant Act or any rules, policy, guidelines framed thereunder and face penal action in case of non-compliance thereof;



And whereas the Punjab Pollution Control Board being the Statutory Regulatory Authority has already set up a dedicated online portal as single window for all clearances wherein the clause of deemed clearance to the applicant has been made after the stipulated time to issue the clearance is over as explained herein above;

And whereas, upon successful submission of application complete in all respect through online system of Punjab Pollution Control Board known as OCMMS, a system generated 'Acknowledgment-cum-Deemed Certificate' will be generated to the applicant / project proponent after defined timelines applicable for the aforementioned services are over;

And whereas, the 'Acknowledgment-cum-Deemed Certificate' so generated shall be valid for a period of one year. The application will be processed by the concerned officer in due course of time and if the application is found complete in all respect, the validity of deemed consent / authorization shall be further extended for the term as admissible for respective establishment(s) as per the policy of the Board.

Note:

- 1) Periodic inspection of the industries / projects to check the regulatory compliances shall be governed by the monitoring protocol framed by the Punjab Pollution Control Board / Central Pollution Control Board / Government.
- 2) In case of non-compliances / violations / pending proceedings and show cause notice issued within defined timelines, the case will be processed as per normal procedure and shall not be eligible for deemed clearances.
- 3) The office order no. 165 dated 20.5.2022 earlier issued by the Board relating to deemed clearances for various services provided through OCMMS for small category of industries stands superseded with the issuance of the present office order, wherein all category of industries have been included.
- 4) The order shall come into force immediately.

(Prof. (Dr.) Adarsh Pal Vig)
Chairman

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Endst. No. 24174-77Dated 17/11/22

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information please:

- 1) The Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Chandigarh.
- 2) The Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion, Chandigarh.
- 3) The Director, Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, Punjab, Chandigarh.
- 4) The Director, Department of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Endst. No. 24178-84

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o/c Member Secretary
Dated 17/11/22

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

- 1) The Chief Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala / Ludhiana / Jalandhar / Bathinda / HQ/ PBIP.
- 2) The Special Secretary (G&P), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.
- 3) The Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, HQ-I/II/III/IV, Zonal Office, Patiala-I/II, Ludhiana-I/II, Jalandhar / Amritsar/ Bathinda.
- 4) The Senior Scientific Officer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
- 5) The Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, EPA/Mega/HQ-I/II/III, Regional Office, Patiala / Sangrur / Bathinda / Farikot / Batala / Jalandhar-I/II / Hoshiarpur / Mohali / Roop Nagar / Amritsar / Fatehgarh Sahib and Ludhiana-I/II/III/IV.
- 6) The Administrative Officer / Senior Law Officer / Deputy Controller (F&A), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.
- 7) PS to Chairman / PA to Member Secretary, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.

Endst. No. 241785

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o/c Member Secretary
Dated 17/11/22

A copy of the above is forwarded to the Environmental Engineer (PR), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Vatavaran Bhawan, Nabha Road, Patiala with a request to give wide publicity to this order of the Board through newspapers / media / various industrial associations for the information of all concerned.

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