

## ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਕੰਟਰੋਲ ਬੋਰਡ PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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The Environmental Engineer,

Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Patiala/ Ludhiana- 1/2/3/4/ Batala/ Sangrur/ Jalandhar-1/2/ Amritsar/ Hoshiarpur/ SAS-Nagar/ Roopnagar/ Bathinda/ Faridkot/ Fatehgarh Sahib/ Moga/ Muktsar Sahib/ Tarn-Taran Sahib.

Subject:

Grant of Consent to Establish to new stone crushers - Order dated 15.07.2024 issued by Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Punjab.

Punjab Pollution Control Board in compliance to the orders dated 10.12.2020 of Hon'ble NGT in the matter of O.A no. 57 of 2020 and subsequent communication dated 18.06.2021 from the Secretary, Water Resources Department & Director Mines & Geology issued following instructions vide letter no. 16536 dated 23.07.2021 to the field officers/ offices while processing CTE/CTO applications of stone crushers/ screening/ washing units:

- a) Verify the quantity of mining material assigned / allotted to the various stone crushers by the Department of Mines & Geology.
- b) Obtain carrying capacity certificate of the area / stone crusher from Department of Mines & Geology, Department of Water Resources and act on the basis of such certificates.
- c) Accordingly, modify the conditions of consent by issuing notice u/s 27(2) of Water Act, 1974 and section 21(6) of Air Act., 1981 and shall mention the quantity of mining material in the consent certificate.
- d) Impose additional condition to the effect that the stone crushers shall maintain a stock register to justify the legitimate source of mining material, its availability, usage and sale etc. shall also be imposed in the consent certificate.
- e) No new stone crusher shall be given consent without obtaining credible & effective data for carrying capacity of area, so as to ensure that raw material is not sourced by illegal mining.

Department of Mines & Geology vide memo no. 1/868194/2024 dated 26.06.2024 has requested the Board to keep issuance of Consent to Establishment to new stone crusher units on hold, till new guidelines for establishment of new crushers are framed by their Department. Thereafter, the department has withdrawn the above instructions vide memo no. 4281-86/E-184794 dated 02.08.2024.



In the meantime, Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Punjab has issued instructions for stone crushers vide order no. E-526419/WR-PROJ/12/2023-PJO/193 dated 15.07.2024. The copy of the above said order is forwarded to Board with the request to issue necessary instruction to concerned officer to get the legal source of raw material verified from Department of Mines & Geology before issuing Consent to Establish to new crusher units. A copy of the order dated 15.07.2024 is attached herewith.

The matter was considered by the Competent Authority in the Board and it has been decided that the legal source of raw material be verified from Department of Mines & Geology before issuing Consent to Establish to new crusher units. This shall be in addition to instructions already issued vide Board's letter no. 16536 dated 23.07.2021.

This is for information, necessary action and meticulous compliance by all concerned in the matter.

DA/as above

## Member Secretary Dated .....

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

- The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Industries and Commerce, Chandigarh.
- 2. The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Water Resources, Department & Director Mines & Geology, Chandigarh.
- 3. The Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Chandigarh.
- 4. The Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Bureau of Investment Promotion, Chandigarh.
- The Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, MGSIPA Complex, Sec-26, Chandigarh.
- 6. The Director, Department of Industries & Commerce, Udyog Bhawan, Sec-17, Chandigarh.
- 7. The Member Secretary, SEIAA (Punjab), Chandigarh.
- 8. The Chief Engineer, Drainage-cum-Mining, Water Resource Department, Chandigarh.



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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 Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, HQ-I/II/III/IV, Zonal Office, Patiala-I/II, Ludhiana-I/II/ Jalandhar/ Amritsar/ Bathinda.
- 3. The Senior Law Officer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.
- 4. PS to Chairman/ PA to Member Secretary, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.

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Member Secretary,

A copy of the above is forwarded to Environmental Engineer (Computer), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala for uploading the communication on the website of the Board.

Member Secretary