

**PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**  
Vatavaran Bhawan, Nabha Road, Patiala

**OFFICE ORDER**

No. SEE (HQ-2)/F-10 (Vol.II)/ 458

Dated: 29 Sept, 2016

**Sub: Revised categorization of industries in view of directions issued by the Central Pollution Control Board under the section 18(1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 – Approved by the Board – Order issued.**

The Punjab Pollution Control Board in its 145<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30.11.2009 & 146<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 12.1.2010 considered the matter to frame policy guidelines regarding categorization of industries and procedure not only for the purpose of location but also for the purpose of consent management and formulation of norms related to inspection for various categories of industries and categorized the industries into Red, Orange & Green categories vide office order no. GPC/NIP/F-10/2010/4/ dtd.17.02.2010. The industries which are not covered under the list of Red, Orange & Green categories were placed in the list of exempted categories.

Subsequently, in order to Harmonize the "Criteria of categorization" of industries, CPCB vide its letter no. B-29012/1/2012/ESS/1546 dtd. 4.6.2012 issued directions u/s 18(i)(b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to the State Boards to revise the list of Red, Orange & Green category of industries based on the criteria specified in the report & to submit the same to CPCB.

The Board modified some categories of the industries according to their pollution potential as per the requirement of the State & the final list of industries as Red, Orange & Green along with exempted categories was sent to CPCB vide Boards letter no. 5355 dtd. 5.2.2013 for information. This list was also got published in the industrial policy 2013 of the State Govt. as well as in the policy document of the Board in April, 2013.

Now, the CPCB vide letter No. B-29012/ESS/2015-16/8584, dated 7/3/2016 has issued directions to all the State Pollution Control Boards / Pollution Control Committees under section 18(1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 regarding harmonization of classification of industrial sectors under Red / Orange / Green / White Categories. In the directions, the CPCB has mentioned interalia as follows:-

"Now, therefore, in exercises of the powers delegated to the Chairman, CPCB under Section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 18 (1) (b) Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 the earlier Directions issued in June 2012, in the context of categorization of industries as Red, Orange & Green are withdrawn with immediate effect and the following 'Directions' are hereby issued for compliance by all SPCBs and PCCs:

1. That the SPCBs and PCCs shall adopt the Revised Criteria of categorization of industrial sectors as detailed in table nos. F1, F2, F3 and F4 and Revised Lists of Red, Orange, Green and White categories of Industrial sectors, presented at table no. G2, G3, G4 and G5 respectively in the 'Final Report' as attached herewith immediately.
2. That all pending applications for consideration of Consent to Establish' and Consent to Operate' and future such applications shall be processed as per revised criteria.
3. That the SPCBs and PCCs will provide the list of industries identified in each category existing in the State which have been considered for grant of consents. SPCBs/PCCs will forward the list of such industries before 31.05.2016 and the same will be uploaded on the websites of respective SPCB/PCC.
4. That the 'Revised Lists of Red, Orange, Green and White category of Industrial sectors' shall be used by the SPCBs/PCCs shall evolve sector specific plans for control of pollution and industrial surveillance for verifying compliance.
5. That the SPCBs and PCCs shall revise / prepare the inventory of Red, Orange, Green and White categories of Industries operating in their jurisdiction based on the revised criteria specified in the Final Report and submit the same to CPCB within 90 days i.e., before 30.05.2016 in hard copy as well as soft copy.
6. That the listed category of industries or those identified later-on under different categories shall not be linked to sanction of loan / finance or bank proceedings.
7. That any further addition of any new or left-over industrial sector and their categorization which is not in the revised list of Red, Orange, Green and White industrial sectors, shall be done at the level of concerned SPCB / PCC following revised criteria & guidelines as detailed in the attached document and no concurrence of CPCB shall normally be required. It is further clarified that while categorizing the industries, fractional numbers shall be rounded off to nearest integer. "

In compliance to the directions of CPCB, the Board vide its office order no. 339 dated 29.07.2016 has constituted a committee headed by the Member Secretary of the Board to categorize the left out industries which have not been included in the final document of CPCB. The committee in its meeting held on 11.08.2016 has gone through the said final document of CPCB and it was observed that additions of some left out industries needs to be made and also some categories though included in the document but need to



be defined in a simpler way in their respective categories to make it easily understandable. The Committee thus prepared a final list. The final list so prepared was placed before the Board for approval in its 173<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 24.8.2016. The Board vide resolution No. 173.08, with some minor changes, approved the proposal for revised categorization of industries (list enclosed) in view of directions dated 7/3/2016, issued by the Central Pollution Control Board under Section 18 (1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

Thus, in supersession of the earlier categorization of industries as published in the Policy document of the Board issued in April, 2013, the final list as approved by the Board enclosed with this order is adopted with immediate effect.

**ENCL: List of revised Categorization**

Endst. No. 46269-78

Member Secretary

Dated: 3/10/2016

A copy of the above is forwarded through e-mail to the following for information and necessary action:-

- i) The Chief Environmental Engineer, Patiala/Ludhiana/Amritsar/Bathinda, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.
- ii) The Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office, PTA-I/II/LDH-I/II/ JAL/ASR/BTI/HQ-1/3, Patiala.
- iii) The Senior Scientific Officer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
- iv) The Environmental Engineer, Punjab. Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, PTA/Mohali/LDHI/II/III/IV/Amritsar/HSR/Bathinda/Fatehgarh Sahib /Sangrur/Jalandhar/ Faridkot & Hoshiarpur.
- v) The Environmental Engineer (Computer), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala. He is requested to upload the same on the website of the Board.
- vi) The Administrative Officer-II, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala

DA/As above

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3/10/16  
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