

PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
Nabha Road, Patiala

No. Mega/2018/465
Date 13.09.2018

Office Order

As per Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India, New Delhi vide D.O. No. P13032 (17)/5/2018-CC (P-25948) dated 03/08/2018, the Government is implementing the Biofuel Programme in the country with the broader objectives of addressing growing environmental concerns, providing additional income to farmers and creating employment opportunities. The Government has notified National Policy on Biofuels-2018 with the aim of achieving 20% of ethanol blending in Petrol by 2030. Presently, there is surplus sugar production in the country and it is expected that the scenario may continue for next two years. Hence, there is greater need to divert surplus sugar for ethanol production which may also assist in ensuring timely remuneration to farmers for their cane produce. With this aim, the feedstock base for Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) programme has been enlarged by Government of India to include ethanol produced from B Heavy molasses and sugarcane juice. It is expected that during next ethanol supply year, the ethanol supplies from this newly opened route will also commence. The role of State Governments is crucial for developing a conducive environment for setting up of Biofuel based projects and ensuring uninterrupted movement of Biofuels or their feedstock to nearby states. In this regard, State Government has major role for promoting Biofuel programme. The Government of India has desired that process of giving the approval by State Pollution Control Boards for project Proposals related to Biofuels be expedited.

Therefore, it has been decided that application of CTE/CTO related to biofuel project be dealt by the concerned Regional Office/Zonal Office on priority, expeditiously and within the stipulated time period prescribed for such type of projects.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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Member Secretary

Endst. No. 26987-018

dated 13.09.2018

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/ Jalandhar/ Bathinda/HQ, 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-1/2, 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/ Batala/ Bathinda/ Fatehgarh Sahib/ Sangrur/ Jalandhar/ Faridkot & Hoshiarpur. They are requested to bring the matter related to biofuel projects into the knowledge of Competent Authority of the Board through their Zonal offices in order to expedite the approval process in future.
- 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, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.

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