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CIRCULAR

Sub: Increasing transparency in disposal of EC cases – Regarding.

This is in continuation to this Ministry's earlier circular of even no. dated 24th March, 2009 on the above mentioned subject, vide which it was decided that specific conditions shall be stipulated in all the clearance letters for putting the compliance status of EC conditions as well as monitored environmental parameters in public domain through the website of the company as well as on the display board near the main gate of the company. It also required to send the six monthly monitoring report/information by e-mail to the respective Regional Offices of MoEF, CPCB and SPCB.

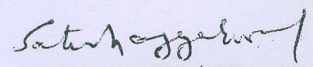
The matter has been considered further. It has now been decided that besides the conditions stated in the earlier circular dated 24th March, 2009 referred to above, it shall also be compulsory on the part of the project proponent to put the environmental statement for each financial year ending 31st March in Form-V, which is mandated under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 as amended subsequently, on the website of the company along with the status of compliance of the EC conditions.

Accordingly, the four conditions to be stipulated in all the clearance letters to be issued henceforth are reproduced below:

1. A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to concerned Panchayat, Zila Parishad/Municipal Corporation, Urban Local Body and the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions / representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal. The clearance letter shall also be put on the website of the Company by the proponent.
2. The proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and shall update the same periodically. It shall simultaneously be sent to the Regional Office of MoEF, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB and the SPCB. The criteria pollutant levels namely; SPM, RSPM, SO₂, NO_x (ambient levels as well as stack emissions) or critical sectoral parameters, indicated for the project shall be monitored and displayed at a convenient location near the main gate of the company in the public domain.

3. The project proponent shall also submit six monthly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions including results of monitored data (both in hard copies as well as by e-mail) to the respective Regional Office of MoEF, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB and the SPCB.
4. The environmental statement for each financial year ending 31st March in Form-V as is mandated to be submitted by the project proponent to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently, shall also be put on the website of the company along with the status of compliance of EC conditions and shall also be sent to the respective Regional Offices of MoEF by e-mail.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.



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