

AGENDA ITEM NO. 198.01

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF
197TH MEETING OF THE HARYANA
STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

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Pollution Control Board.

The minutes of the 197th meeting were circulated to all the Members of the Board vide this office Memo No. HSPCB/Estt./2023/3855-3863 dated 13.09.2023 (copy of the same enclosed).

No observations from any Member have been received. The Board may confirm the Minutes of the 197th Meeting.

Minutes of the 197th meeting of the Haryana State Pollution Control Board, Panchkula, held at 11.00 AM on 12.09.2023 under the Chairmanship of Sh. P. Raghavendra Rao, Chairman, Haryana State Pollution Control Board, Panchkula.

The 197th meeting of the Haryana State Pollution Control Board was convened at 11.00 AM on 12.09.2023 under the Chairmanship of Sh. P. Raghavendra Rao, Chairman, Haryana State Pollution Control Board. The list of participants is at **Annexure-I**.

Leave of absence was granted to Sh. Anand Mohan Sharan, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to Government Haryana, Industries & Commerce Department and Sh. Arun Kumar Gupta, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to Government Haryana, Town and Country Planning Department and Sh. Vikas Gupta, IAS, Principal Secretary to Government, Haryana, Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana.

Member Secretary, HSPCB presented the agenda items before the Board. Detailed discussions were held on the agenda items and the following decisions were taken:

Agenda Item No. 197.01 Confirmation of the Minutes of 196th meeting of the Haryana State Pollution Control Board.

Minutes of 196th meeting were confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 197.02 Action taken on the minutes of the 196th meeting of the Haryana State Pollution Control Board held on 13.06.2023.

Action taken on the decisions taken in the 196th meeting of the Board was noted. The Members were apprised about the recoveries of pending dishonoured demand drafts/ cheques and outstanding advances with Regional Officers. The Members appreciated the efforts made by the Member Secretary, HSPCB and his team of officers for the above performance and desired that an appreciation letter may be issued to the Member Secretary on behalf of the Board by the Chairman.

Agenda Item No. 197.03 Fixing the standards for discharge of treated grey water through natural treatment system (waste stabilization pond, constructed wetland etc.) for irrigation and other non-potable usages and standards for discharge of treated wastewater of STPs for various usage (irrigation, industrial processes, construction activities, other non-potable usages and groundwater recharge through lakes, ponds, water storage area, natural or artificial depression).

The proposal contained in Agenda Note was approved and further decided as under:

- i. All the executing departments like Public Health Engineering Department; Urban Local Body; HSVP; GMDA; FMDA; Development & Panchayat Department etc. shall make necessary modification/upgradation or remove any deficiency in the sewage treatment plant within one year so as to achieve the prescribed standards.
- ii. The contents of point No. vi of foot note shall be modified mentioning that the standards prescribed by the Board for discharge of treated wastewater of STPs vide its order dated 2.7.2020 shall be only applicable for the discharge of treated wastewater of those STPs, where there is no chance to use it for irrigation, construction activities, industrial processes, non potable usages, groundwater recharge through ponds, lakes, water storage area, natural or artificial depression.

Agenda Item No. 197.04

Adoption of policy by the Board for grant of short term provisional consent to operate under Water Act, 1974 for 06 months to the residential projects, to whom consent to operate is refused by the Board under Water Act, 1974 on the ground of failure of effluent samples of STP of the project or any other reasons.

The proposal contained in Agenda Note was approved and further decided as under:

- i. During the upgradation period of STP, the project proponent/Resident Welfare Association shall achieve the values of the parameters in the treated wastewater better than the values of the parameters as mentioned in the analysis results of the last samples collected by the Board.
- ii. The provisional consent to operate (CTO) so granted shall be without prejudice to the action taken for past violations and CTO so granted will have no effect on prosecution action or any other penal action taken or to be taken by the Board against such projects.
- iii. Being special policy, the powers to grant provisional consent to operate for 06 months under Water Act, 1974 to such residential projects shall be exercised by the Chairman of the Board.
- iv. Clause no. i of the policy, shall be modified as under:

The Board may launch prosecution under the provisions of the Water Act, 1974/ Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 against the project proponent/Resident Welfare Association for violation of provisions of the said Acts, in such cases where consent to operate is refused on the ground of failure of effluent samples or operating the project without Environment Clearance, as required under EIA Notification dated 14.9.2006 or any other reasons and further, environment compensation may be imposed as per the methodology formulated by the CPCB and approved by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal.

Agenda Item No. 197.05

Annual Report of the Haryana State Pollution Control Board for the year 2022-23.

The proposal contained in Agenda Note was approved. The Members desired that a chapter regarding efforts /achievements made by the HSPCB for controlling Air/Water Pollution be added in the Annual Report with the approval of the Chairman. The Members further desired that the main reason for not succeeding in the Special Environment Courts in some of the prosecution cases, must be analyzed so that appropriate remedial steps could be taken.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and all the participants.

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

1. Sh. P. Raghavendra Rao
Chairman, Haryana State Pollution Control Board,
C-11, Sector-6, Panchkula.
2. Sh. Vineet Garg, IAS
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana
Environment & Climate Change and Forest
Department
3. Sh. Mohammad Shayin, IAS,
Managing Director,
Haryana Power Generation Corporation Limited,
Panchkula
4. Sh. Navdeep Singh, IPS **Through VC**
Principal Secretary to Government Haryana,
Transport Department.
5. Sh. Vineet Garg, IFS,
Managing Director, Haryana Forest Development Corporation
6. Sh. Pardeep Kumar, IAS,
Member Secretary,
Haryana State Pollution Control Board, Panchkula.

Nominee of Finance Department

1. Sh. Manoj Khatri, HCS
Joint Secretary, Finance, Haryana