HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD C-11 Sector-6, Panchkula Ph – 0172- 577870-73, Fax No. 2581201 E-mail- hspcbho@gmail.com

Order

Whereas, an Original Application no. 607 of 2018 titled as Vinod Kumar Jangra Vs State of Haryana & Ors and OA No. 667 of 2018, Mahendra Singh Vs State of Haryana and Others, clubbed with OA No. 679 of 2018 and OA No.599 of 2019 in the matter of crushing of stone or other such minerals in the Districts of Charkhi Dadri and Mahendergarh were filed before the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) regarding remedial action for enforcement of the environmental norms under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974;

Whereas, Hon'ble NGT vide its order dated 18.01.2023 passed in Original Application no. 607 of 2018 titled as Vinod Kumar Jangra Vs State of Haryana & Ors. directed that the number of operating stone crushers be suitably reduced so as to be within the carrying capacity and the numbers of units which are to be allowed to operate should be fixed having regard to the carrying capacity; and

Whereas, in compliance of the order dated 18.01.2023 & 10.08.2023 passed by the Hon'ble NGT in OA No. 607 of 2018 and 667 of 2018, a meeting was held on 28.08.2023 and 04.09.2023 and it was decided that the previous years' data of Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations (CAAQMS) of both the districts may be examined and necessary directions may be issued to the concerned stakeholders;

Whereas, during winter season Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) is implemented and action is taken in the NCR Districts of the State, as per the directions being issued by the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) from time to time;

Whereas, matter has been examined at the level of the Board and Ambient Air Quality data of both CAAQMS Stations for summer season has been observed to be on higher side in the month of May and therefore, for reducing air polluting activities within the scope of Carrying Capacity in summer months, the operation of stone crushing units is required to be restricted appropriately.

In view of above, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 31-A of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 it is hereby ordered that all the stone Crushing Units operating in the districts of Charkhi Dadri and Mahendergarh shall operate only during night time (i.e. 08.00 PM to 06.00 AM) during the month of May. Any non-compliance/violation in respect of the above shall attract legal action, including penal action and/or levy of environmental compensation, as per policy.

These orders shall come into force with immediate effect.

Dated Panchkula, the

P. Raghavendra Rao

15th September, 2023

Chairman, HSPCB

Endst. No. HSPCB/PLG/2023/

Dated16/09/2023

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

- 1. All Branch Incharges dealing with consent management in Head Office of the Board.
- 2. All Regional Officers of the Board in the field.
- 3. Branch incharge (IT) for uploading the orders on the website of the Board.

Chief Env. Engineer For Chairman

Endst. No. HSPCB/PLG/2023/

Dated:

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information of the officers:-

- 1. PS to ACS to Govt. of Haryana, Environment Department.
- 2. PS to Chairman
- 3. PA to Member Secretary

Chief Env. Engineer For Chairman

Digitally Signed by Bhupender Singh Rinwa Date: 16-09-2023 10:22:08

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