



DELHI POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI
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F.12/(644)/Env/YMC Matter/Soaps & Detergents/2021/5996-6077 Dated : 14/06/2021

Subject: Directions under Section 33 (A) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, as amended to date.

Whereas, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) is the State Board for all the union Territories to exercise powers and performs functions under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, as amended to date.

And whereas, Central Pollution Control Board has delegated all its powers and functions under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 in respect of Union Territory of Delhi to Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) vide notification Dated 15.03.1991.

And whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal vide judgment dated 13.01.2015 in O.A.No.06 of 2012 and O.A.No.300 of 2013 in the matter of Manoj Mishra Vs. Union of India & Ors. has given various directions for control of pollution and rejuvenation of River Yamuna in Delhi.

And whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal vide order dated 26.07.2018 in the said matter, had constituted a two member Monitoring Committee (known as Yamuna Monitoring Committee) for monitoring and compliance of the above mentioned Judgment / Orders of the Tribunal. The said Committee monitored the various issues related to control of pollution in River Yamuna including Foam / Froth formation due to presence of Phosphates and Surfactants in river Yamuna.

And whereas, Indiscriminate use of soaps and detergents, not conforming to BIS standards has been identified as one of the contributors to the deteriorating water quality of river Yamuna. There is probability of use of non-permissible chemical substance in the manufacture of soaps and detergents which are not conforming to BIS standards, which may cause harm to the aquatic life, river water quality, animal's dependents on river water as well as human beings.

And whereas Yamuna Monitoring Committee in its report submitted to Hon'ble NGT in January, 2021 has recommended that "..... iv. NGT may also direct the Government of NCT Delhi to issue orders prohibiting sale, storage and transportation /marketing of detergents which do not conform to the revised BIS standards. GNCT Delhi may also be directed to launch awareness campaigns about the harmful effect of using substandard soaps and detergents....."

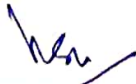
And whereas, Hon'ble Green Tribunal vide order dated 27.01.2021 in aforesaid matter has accepted the recommendations of the Yamuna Monitoring Committee including above mentioned recommendations regarding prohibiting sale, storage and transportation / marketing of detergents which do not conform to the revised BIS standards. It is also mentioned in the said order that further actions in terms of the earlier orders of the Tribunal as well as the current recommendations of the Committee need to be taken, which may be overseen by the Chief Secretaries of concerned States on regular basis.....

Now therefore, in view of the above and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 33 (A) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and keeping in view to curb pollution in River Yamuna in Delhi, Delhi Pollution Control Committee hereby issues following directions:

1. Sale, Storage, Transportation and Marketing of Soaps & Detergents not conforming to the revised BIS Standards shall be completely prohibited in NCT of Delhi.
2. All the concerned Departments / Authorities including Municipal Corporation / Local Bodies, Civil Supplies Department and District Administrations having control over the Shops and other Establishments (Suppliers, Stockiest, Transporters etc.) having Sale, Storage, Transportation and Marketing facilities for Soaps and Detergents in NCT of Delhi shall ensure the compliance of directions at (1) above through strict vigil and surprise checks on such establishments.

Monthly action taken reports of inspections conducted and subsequent action taken shall be submitted by the authorized officers to Delhi Pollution Control Committee, without fail.

Non compliance with respect to above mentioned directions attracts penal action u/s 41 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, as amended to date.


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Member Secretary, DPCC

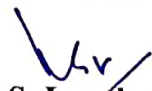
To,

1. The Secretary-cum-Commissioner, Food Supplies & Consumer Affairs Deptt. Govt. of NCT of Delhi, K-Block, VikasBhavan, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002 (cfood@nic.in)
2. The Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Council, Palika Kendra Building, Parliament Street, Delhi-110001.
3. The Commissioner, South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC), 9th Floor, Dr. S.P.M Civic Center, JLN Marg, New Delhi - 110002
4. The Commissioner, North Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC), 4th Floor, Dr. S.P.M Civic Center, JLN Marg, New Delhi-110002
5. The Commissioner, East Delhi Municipal Corporation (EDMC), 419, Udyog Sadan, Patparganj Industrial Area, Delhi-110092
6. The Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Cantonment Board (DCB), Delhi Cantt. Sadar Bazaar, New Delhi-110010
7. The Commissioner of Industries, Govt. of NCT of Delhi. 419, Udyog Sadan, FIE Patparganj, Delhi-110092.
8. The Pr. Secretary (Revenue) cum Divisional Commissioner, 5 Sham NathMarg, Delhi-110054.

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1. The Commissioner, Delhi Police, Delhi Police Headquarter, MSO Building, IP Estate, Delhi- 110002.
2. The Vice Chairman, Delhi Development Authority, Vikas Sadan, INA, Delhi-110023.
3. The Addl. Chief Secretary, Urban Development Department, Govt of NCT of Delhi, 9th Level, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi -110002.
4. Additional Chief Secretary (Environment), 7th Level, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi – 110002.
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6. The Principal Secretary (Health & Family Welfare), Govt of NCT of Delhi, 9th Level, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi – 110002.
7. The Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Jal Board, Varunalaya Ph-II, Jhandewalan, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005
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9. The Secretary, Irrigation & Flood Control Department (I&FC), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L. M. Bundh, Shastri Nagar, Delhi - 110031.
10. The Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board , PariveshBhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi - 110032
11. The Secretary - Cum -Commissioner, Development Department, Govt. of NCT of Delhi 5/9, Under Hills Road, Delhi-110054
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13. Staff Officer to Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 5th Level, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi – 110002.
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