

Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee

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Subject: Closure of M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri.

Order No. : 170 JK PCC of 2024
Dated : 19 /09 /2024

Whereas, on the basis of pollution potential, Mining of minor mineral is classified as **Orange category** and obtaining the consent from the Pollution Control Committee is mandatory alongwith adoption of pollution control mechanism to achieve the Prescribed Standards of pollution; and

Whereas, Consent to Operate (Fresh) was granted to **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material), Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri**, vide No. **PCC / digital / 22042973867 of 2022** dated **07-07-2022** valid upto **July, 2023**, with specific terms and conditions for **31200 MT/Annum**, as per the quantity mentioned in Environmental clearance obtained by the stakeholder vide No. **JKEIAA/2021/503/7176-90** dated **11-06-2022**, but thereafter, failed to get the consent renewed from the J&K Pollution Control Committee as warranted under Section 25/26 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981;and

Whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A. No. 360/2015 titled National Green Tribunal Bar Association versus Virender Singh in its order dt. 26-02-2021 have directed to take action against the stakeholders found involved in illegal mining of minor mineral; and


Whereas, Minor Mineral **Block-1/3** operated by Shri Kiran Kumar Sharma under the name and style of M/s Minor Mineral(River Bed Material) **Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri** is currently operational in violation of Section 25/26 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 , without valid consent from the JK Pollution Control Committee; and

Whereas, M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) **Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri**, cannot be permitted to operate without consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee.

Now therefore, in exercise of powers vested with J & K Pollution Control Committee under Section 33 (A) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 31 (A) of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the following directions are hereby issued: -

- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, **Rajouri** is directed to cease the operation of the Minor Mineral **Block-1/3** of Shri Kiran Kumar Sharma under the name and style of **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri**, immediately.
- ii. Director, Department of Geology & Mining is directed to cease the operation of the Minor Mineral **Block-1/3** operated by Shri Kiran Kumar Sharma immediately.
- iii. **Mr. Kiran Kumar Sharma**, stake holder of **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri**, is directed to cease the operation of the minor Mineral Block-1/3 immediately.

Issued with the Approval of Competent Authority.


(Ghansham Singh), JKAS
Member Secretary 19.9.24
J&K PCC

No:- JK PCC/LSJ/Minor Minerals (Rajouri)/ 024/766-51

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Copy to the:-

- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, **Rajouri** for information and necessary action.
- ii. Director, Department of Geology & Mining, for information and necessary action.
- iii. Regional Director, PCC, **Jammu** for information and follow up action .
- iv. Divisional Officer, PCC, Rajouri for information and with the direction to follow up and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- v. I/c website Pollution Control Committee **Jammu** for uploading the closure order
- vi. **Mr. Kiran Kumar Sharma**, stake holder of. Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) **Block 1/3, Nowshera Tawi River Downstream Muradpur Bridge Rajouri**, for compliance.