Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee

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Subject:

Closure of M/s NH Constructions Pvt. ltd., Village Nambal, Tehsil & District -Reasi

Order No. : 174 JK PCC of 2024

Dated : 04 /10 /2024

Whereas, no activity having bearing on environment can be taken in hand without prior consent of the J&K Pollution Control Committee, as warranted under Section 25/26 and Section 21 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974 and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 respectively; and

Whereas, Hot Mix Plant is categorized as **Orange Category** activity on the basis of pollution potential, for the purpose of seeking the consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee; and

Whereas, M/s NH Construction Pvt. ltd., Village Nambal, Tehsil & District -Reasi is in operation without obtaining consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee, in flagrant violations 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, as the operation of the Batching Plant in its present status can prove detrimental to human health and environment; and

Whereas, repeated notices were served upon the project proponent vide (notices) dated 22-11-2023 & 28-12-2023, calling upon him thereunder to show cause within 15 days from its issuance as to why legal action including closure of the Hot Mix Plant(HMP) be not taken for the violation of various environmental laws; and

Whereas, after fresh inspection conducted by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee Reasi on 23-01-2024, reported that the Hot Mix Plant is ready to operator without obtaining prior consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee as well as inadequate Pollution Control Devices/Pollution Control Measures; and

Whereas, Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee Jammu confirmed the inspection report of Divisional Officer, PCC Reasi and accordingly, recommended closure of the Hot Mix Plant vide his letter No. PCC/RDJ/O/23/3645-46 dated 31-01-2024; and

Whereas, the Hot mix plant in question cannot be allowed to operate with above status as the operation can prove detrimental for human health and environment besides, being in flagrant violation of laws governing environmental protection.

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Now therefore, in view of the above and 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, **Reasi** is directed to close down the hot mix plant under the name and style of M/s **NH Construction Pvt.** ltd., Village Nambal, Tehsil & District -Reasi immediately.
- ii. Director, Industries and Commerce, Jammu is directed to de-register the Hot mix plant, if registered.
- iii. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Reasi is directed to disconnect the electric supply to above said Hot mix plant immediately.
- iv. Executive Engineer, **PHE**, Reasi is directed to disconnect the water supply to the above said Hot Mix Plant immediately.
- v. Shri Rajesh Gandotra, Prop. M/s NH Construction Pvt. ltd., Village Nambal, Tehsil & District -Reasi is directed to cease the operation of the Hot mix plant, forthwith.

Issued with the Approval of Competent Authority.

(Ghansham Singh), JKAS
Member Secretary

J&K Pollution Control Committee

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- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, Reasi for information and necessary action.
- ii. Director, Industries and Commerce, Jammu for information and necessary action.
- iii. Regional Director, PCC, Jammu for information and follow up action.
- iv. Chief Engineer, Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd. (JPDCL), Canal Road, Jammu for information and necessary action.
- v. Chief Engineer, PHE Jammu for information and necessary action.
- vi. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Reasi for information and necessary action.
- vii. Executive Engineer, PHE Division Reasi for information and necessary action.
- viii. Divisional Officer, PCC, Reasi for information and with the direction to follow up and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- ix. I/c website Pollution Control Committee Jammu for uploading the closure order.
- X. Shri Rajesh Gandotra Prop. M/s NH Construction Pvt. ltd., Village Nambal, Tehsil & District -Reasi for compliance.