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Subject: Closure of M/s Hotel Shree Ram, Railway Road Katra, District

Reasi.

Order No. : | 7 | JK PCC of 2024

Dated : 2 | /09 /2024

Whereas, no unit can be established or put in operation without consent 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** respectively; and

Whereas, for meeting the prescribed standards for sewerage generated by Hotels/Guest Houses, with above 19 rooms, the facility of Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) is mandatory as per the guidelines of Pollution Control Committee; and

Whereas, **M/s Hotel Shree Ram, Railway Road Katra, District Reasi** is operational in flagrant 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,** being in operation without consent to Operate from the J&K Pollution Control Committee and its continued operation of the Hotel can prove detrimental to human health and environment of the area; and

Whereas, one time legal notice was served upon the Hotelier on 31-08-2024 calling upon him thereunder to show reason as to why legal action including closure of his Hotel be not taken for violation of laws. The owner of the Hotel failed to show any response, besides, failing to take measures to meet the requirements of laws governing environmental protection; and

Whereas, after fresh inspection conducted by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Reasi on 05-09-2024, it was reported that the Hotel is in operation without obtaining Consent to Operate from the J&K Pollution Control Committee and has failed to make the STP functional in the Hotel; and

Whereas, Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee, Jammu vide letter No. PCC/RDJ/O/2024/1541-43 dated 17-09-2024, confirmed the report of Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Reasi and accordingly, recommended the closure of the said hotel; and

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

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: -

- Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, Reasi is directed to close down the Hotel under the name and style of M/s Hotel Shree Ram, Railway Road Katra, District Reasi., immediately.
- ii. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Reasi is directed to disconnect the electric supply to above said hotel immediately.
- iii. Executive Engineer, **PHE Division**, Reasi is directed to disconnect the water supply to the above said hotel immediately.
- iv. M/s Hotel Shree Ram, Railway Road Katra, District Reasi is directed to cease the operation of the hotel forthwith.

Issued with the Approval of Competent Authority.

(Ghansham Singh) JKAS
Member Secretary
J&K PCC

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- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate Reasi for information and necessary action.
- ii. Regional Director, PCC, Jammu for information and follow up action.
- iii. Chief Engineer, Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd. (JPDCL), Canal Road, **Jammu** for information and necessary action.
- iv. Chief Engineer, PHE Jammu for information and necessary action
- v. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Reasi for information and necessary
- vi. Executive Engineer, PHE Division Reasi information and necessary action.
- vii. Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Reasi for information and with the direction to follow up and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- viii. I/c website Pollution Control Committee Jammu for uploading the closure order
- ix. M/s Hotel Shree Ram, Railway Road Katra, District Reasi for compliance.