

## **Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee**

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**Subject: Closure of M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi**

**Order No. : 164 JK PCC of 2024**

**Dated : 19 /9 /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 (Renewal) was granted to **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi**, vide No. **PCC / digital / 22062854899 of 2022** dated **30-11-2022** valid upto **June, 2024**, with specific terms and conditions for **158850 MT/Annum**, as per the quantity mentioned in Environmental clearance obtained by the stakeholder, but thereafter, failed to get 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-21** operated by Shri Ranbir Singh under the name and style of M/s Minor Mineral( River Bed Material) **Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi**, 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

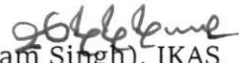
Whereas, **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi** cannot be permitted to operate without consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee.

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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, **Reasi** is directed to cease the operation of the Minor Mineral Block-14 operated by **Shri Ranbir Singh** under the name and style of **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi**, immediately.
- ii. Director, Geology & Mining Deptt is directed to cease the operation of the above stated Minor Mineral Block-14 immediately.
- iii. **Shri Ranbir Singh**, stake holder of **M/s Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi**, is directed to cease the operation of the minor Mineral Block 02 immediately.

***Issued with the Approval of Competent Authority.***

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

No:- JK PCC/LSJ/ 024/7576346/704-709  
Dated:- 19/09/2024  
Copy to the:-

- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, **Reasi** for information and necessary action.
- ii. Director, Geology & Mining Deptt. for information and necessary action.
- iii. Regional Director, PCC, **Jammu** for information and follow up action.
- iv. Divisional Officer, PCC, Reasi 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. Ranbir Singh Project Proponent of. Minor Mineral (River Bed Material) Block 21, Tawi Khad downstream Matnani Bridge, Village Nar, Block Pouni-, District Reasi** for compliance.