

Whereas, no activity having bearing on environment can be taken in hand without prior consent of the Pollution Control Committee, 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.

Whereas, **Brick Kiln** is categorized as **Orange Category** activity on the basis of pollution potential, for the purpose of seeking the consent from the JK PCC.

Whereas, M/s Qiyam Brick Kiln at Bapat Berwah-Budgam has been set up and put it in operation in violation of above stated laws that too bereft of adequate pollution control devices/ measures.

Whereas, the unit holder was accordingly served with repeated notices, particularly notice dated **31-05-2023**, calling upon him there under to show reasons as to why legal action including closure of his unit be not taken.

Whereas, the unit holder has failed to show any response to the notices, besides failing to take measures to meet the requirements of laws governing environmental protection and the Regional Director, PCC Kashmir has recommended closure of the unit vide his No. PCC/ROK/LS/23/87-88 dt 09-09-2023

Whereas, the unit in question cannot be allowed to run un-authorizedly with above status and to the determent of human health and environment.

Now therefore in exercise of powers vested in the J & K Pollution Control Committee under Section 31 (A) of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, read with Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, immediate closure of M/s Qiyam Brick Kiln at Bapat Berwah-Budgam is hereby ordered and in this behalf the:-

- Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, Budgam is directed to get the M/s Qiyam Brick Kiln at Bapat Berwah-Budgam, closed immediately.
- ii). Director Industries & Commerce, Kashmir for deregistering the unit.
- iii). Prop. M/s Qiyam Brick Kiln at Bapat Berwah-Budgam is directed to cease the operation of the unit forthwith.

As approved by the Competent Authority.

(K Ramesh Kumar/IFS 23/11/123 Summing JK PCC Jammu

No:-JK PCC/LSK/ 7334120/23 753-57 Dated:- 23/11/2023.

Copy to the:-

- i). Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate Budgam for information and necessary action, under intimation.
- ii). Regional Director, PCC, Kashmir for information and follow up action within fortnight.
- iii). Director Industries & Commerce, Kashmir for information and necessary action.
- iv). In-Charge web site PCC Jammu for uploading the closure order.
- v). Prop. M/s Qiyam Brick Kiln at Bapat Berwah-Budgam for compliance.