

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, Mohammad Amin Rather has set up and put in operation a brick kiln under the name and style of **M/s New Amin Brick Kiln, at Devbagh Panzan -Budgam** in violation of above stated laws without obtaining Consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee that too bereft of adequate pollution control devices/ measures.

Whereas, the unit holder was accordingly served with repeated notices, particularly notice dated **19-09-2023**, 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.

Whereas, fresh inspection was carried out by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee Budgam on **12-07-2023**, reported that the status of the Brick Kiln has remain unchanged and accordingly the Regional Director, PCC Kashmir has recommended closure of the unit vide his No. **PCC/ROK/LS/23/894-96 dt 04-12-2023**.

Whereas, the unit in question cannot be allowed to run un-authorisedly 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 and Section 33(A) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, read with Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, immediate closure of Brick Kiln of Mohammad Amin Rather under the name and style of M/s New Amin Brick Kiln, at Devbagh Panzan -Budgam is hereby ordered and in this behalf the:-

- Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, Budgam is directed to get the Brick Kiln of Mohd Amin Rather under the name and style of M/s New Amin Brick Kiln, at Devbagh Panzan -Budgam, closed immediately.
- ii). Director Industries & Commerce, Kashmir for deregistering the Brick Kiln, if registered.
- Mr. Mohammad Amin Rather, Prop. M/s New Amin Brick Kiln, at Devbagh Panzan -Budgam is directed to cease the operation of the Brick Kiln forthwith.

As approved by the Competent Authority.

(K Ramesh Kumar)IFS Member Secretary D JK PCC Jammu

No:- JK PCC/LSK/7357016/023 917-922 Dated:- 15/12/2023.

Copy to the:-

- i). Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate Budgam for information and necessary action, under intimation.
- Regional Director, PCC, Kashmir for information and has reference to his letter No. PCC/ROK/LS/23/894-96 dt. 04-12-2023.
- iii). Director Industries & Commerce, Kashmir for information and necessary action.
- iv). Divisional Officer, PCC Budgam, with the direction to pursue and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- v). In-Charge web site Pollution Control Committee, Jammu for uploading the closure order.
- vi). Mr. Mohammad Amin Rather, Prop. M/s New Amin Brick Kiln, at Devbagh Panzan -Budgam for compliance.