

Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee

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Order No. : 325 JK PCC of 2024

Dated : 15 /02 /2024

Whereas, **M/s T.S. Puran Brick Kiln, Village Thikrian, R.S.Puran Jammu** has applied for Consent to Operate in **2014** but was not granted, thereafter the owner of the Brick kiln has failed to apply again for the consent from the JKPC as envisaged 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 Pollution Control Committee.

Whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in its order dt.**02-02-2024** in O.A.No.**594 of 2022** titled Syed Riyaz Versus Union Territory of J&K & Ors. directed to close down the brick kilns operating without consent from the Pollution Control Committee.

Whereas, the Brick Kiln under the name and style of **M/s T.S. Puran Brick Kiln, Village Thikrian, R.S.Puran Jammu** is in operation in flagrant violation of above said requirements of law without getting consent renewed from the J&K Pollution Control Committee, and operation of the Brick KILN with present status can prove detrimental to human health and environment.

Whereas, Closure order against the Brick Kiln was issued vide Order No. 92 JKPCB of 2020 dt. 15-12-2020, but same was not implemented by the District Administration till date.

Whereas, fresh inspection was carried out by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee Jammu (South) on **18-12-2023**, revealing that the status of the Brick Kiln remained unchanged. Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee Jammu vide letter No. **PCC/RDJ/SA/O/3462-63** dated **19-01-2024** confirmed the inspection report of Divisional Officer, PCC Jammu (South) and accordingly recommended it for closure.


Whereas, the Brick Kiln 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 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, **Jammu** is directed to close down the brick kiln of **Shri Puran Singh** under the name and style of **M/s T.S. Puran Brick Kiln, Village Thikrian, R.S.Puran Jammu** immediately.
- ii. *Director Industries and Commerce, Jammu is directed to deregister the Brick Kiln, if registered*
- iii. *Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Jammu is directed to disconnect the electric supply to above said Brick Kiln immediately.*
- iv. Executive Engineer, **PHE**, Jammu is directed to disconnect the water supply to the above said Brick Kiln immediately.
- v. **Shri Puran Singh, (Prop.) M/s T.S. Puran Brick Kiln, Village Thikrian, R.S.Puran Jammu** is directed to cease the operation of the brick kiln forthwith.

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Vasu Yadav
Chairman
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Copy to the:-

- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, **Jammu** for information and necessary action under intimation.
- ii. Regional Director, PCC, **Jammu** for information and follow up action within a fortnight, in reference to his letter No. **PCC/RDJ/SA/O/2024/3462-63** dated **19-01-2024**.
- iii. Chief Engineer, Jammu Power Development Corporation Ltd. (JPDCL), Canal Road, **Jammu** for information and necessary action under intimation.
- iv. Chief Engineer, PHE Jammu for information and necessary action under intimation
- v. Director Industries and Commerce, **Jammu** for information and necessary action.
- vi. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Jammu for information and necessary action.
- vii. Executive Engineer, PHE Division Jammu for information and necessary action.
- viii. Divisional Officer, Jammu (South) for information and with the direction to follow up and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- ix. I/c Nodal Officer, NGT PCC Jammu for information and necessary action.
- x. I/c web site Pollution Control Committee **Jammu** for uploading the closure order
- xi. **Shri Puran Singh, Prop. M/s T.S. Puran Brick Kiln, Village Thikrian, R.S.Puran Jammu** for compliance.