Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee

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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 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, **Sh. Imran Ahmad Bhat** has set up and put in operation a Brick Kiln under the name and style of **M/s Imran Brick Kiln at Shelipora-Achabal -Anantnag** in flagrant violation of above said requirements of law **without obtaining consent** from the J&K Pollution Control Committee so far and operation of the Brick Kiln with present status can prove detrimental to human health and environment.

Whereas, fresh inspection was carried out by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee Anantnag on 12-02-2024, revealing that the status of the Brick Kiln remained unchanged. Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee Kashmir vide letter No. PCC/RDK/L.S/2024/15-16 dated 20-02-2024 confirmed the inspection report of Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Anantnag 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.

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, Anantnag is directed to close down the brick kiln of Sh. Imran Ahmad Bhat under the name and style of M/s Imran Brick Kiln at Shelipora-Achabal-Anantnag immediately.
- ii. Director Industries and Commerce, Kashmir is directed to deregister the Brick Kiln, if registered
- iii. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Anantnag is directed to disconnect the electric supply to above said Brick Kiln immediately.
- iv. Executive Engineer, **PHE**, Anantnag is directed to disconnect the water supply to the above said Brick Kiln immediately.

v. Sh. Imran Ahmad Bhat (Prop.) M/s Imran Brick Kiln at Shelipora-Achabal -Anantnag is directed to cease the operation of the Brick Kiln forthwith.

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Copy to the:-

- i. Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, **Anantnag** for information and necessary action under intimation.
- ii. Regional Director, PCC, **Kashmir** for information and follow up action within a fortnight, in reference to his letter No. **PCC/RDK/L.S/2024/15-16** dated **20-02-2024**.
- iii. Chief Engineer, Kashmir Power Development Corporation Ltd. (KPDCL), Kashmir for information and necessary action under intimation.
- iv. Chief Engineer, PHE Kashmir for information and necessary action under intimation
- v. Director Industries and Commerce, Kashmir for information and necessary action.
- vi. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Anantnag for information and necessary action.
- vii. Executive Engineer, PHE Division Anantnag for information and necessary action.
- viii. Divisional Officer, PCC, Anantnag for information and with the direction to follow up and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- ix. I/c Nodal Officer, NGT J&K PCC Jammu for information and necessary action.
- x. I/c Web site Pollution Control Committee Jammu for uploading the closure order
- xi. Sh. Imran Ahmad Bhat, Prop. M/s Imran Brick Kiln at Shelipora-Achabal -Anantnag for compliance.