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Order No.

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Dated

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, Stone Crusher 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.05--05-2020 followed by order dt. 07-09-2020 in O.A.No.1045 of 2019 titled Pritam Singh Versus UT of J&K & Ors. directed to close down the stone crushers and Hot Mix Plants of District Ramban operating without consent from the Pollution Control Committee and recovering Environmental Compensation against the violations.

Whereas, Environmental Compensation was imposed upon M/s TRG Industries Pvt. ltd. (Stone Crusher), Jowahri, Hadog-Sumber Road-Ramban to the tune of Rs. 1,54,000/-(One Lac Fifty Four Thousand) vide Order No. 05 PCC of 2021 dated 30-07-2021 after following the due procedure of law, which the project proponent has not deposited as yet. Thereafter Deputy Commissioner/District Magistrate vide order No. 28 JKPCC of 2022 dt. 09-02-2022 was directed to recover the Environmental Compensation from above said project proponent with interest @ 12% fro 15<sup>th</sup> of September, 2021 trill the realization of amount, as arrears of land revenue.

Whereas, M/s TRG Industries Pvt. Ltd. (Stone Crusher), Jowahri, Hadog-Sumber Road-Ramban is in operation in flagrant violations of above said requirements of law without obtaining consent from the J&K Pollution Control Committee, and operation of the stone crusher in its present status can prove detrimental to human health and environment.

Whereas, fresh inspection was carried out by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee Ramban on 15-03-2023, revealing that neither the project proponent of above said stone crusher has deposited the EC amount levied upon him nor he obtain consent from the JKPCC and recommended for closure proceeding vide letter No. PCC/DO/Rbn/24/321 dated 20-03-2024. Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee Jammu confirmed the inspection report of Divisional Officer, PCC Ramban and accordingly recommended it for closure.

Whereas, the stone crusher 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 Board 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, Ramban is directed to close down the stone crusher under the name and style of M/s TRG Industries Pvt. Itd. (Stone Crusher), Jowahri, Hadog-sumber Road-Ramban immediately.
- ii. Director Industries and Commerce, Jammu is directed to deregister the stone crusher, if registered.
- iii. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Ramban is directed to disconnect the electric supply to above said stone crusher immediately.
- iv. Executive Engineer, PHE Division, Ramban is directed to disconnect the water supply to the above said stone crusher immediately.
- v. Mr. Bashir Ahmed Project Incharge M/s TRG Industries Pvt. ltd. (Stone Crusher), Jowahri, Hadog-sumber Road-Ramban is directed to cease the operation of the Stone crusher, forthwith.

Issued with the Approval of Competent Authority.

(Ghan Sham Singh), JKAS

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- Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, Ramban for information and necessary action
- ii. Regional Director, PCC, Jammu for information and follow up action within a fortnight. iii. Director Industries and Commerce, Jammu for information and necessary action.
- iv. Chief Engineer, Jammu Power Development Corporation Ltd. (JPDCL), Canal Road, Jammu for information and necessary action under intimation.
- v. Chief Engineer, PHE Jammu for information and necessary action under intimation
- 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 (North) 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. Mr. Bashir Ahmed Project Incharge, M/s TRG Industries Pvt. ltd. (Stone Crusher), Jowahri, Hadog-sumber Road-Ramban for compliance.