Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee

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Subject: Closure of M/s SRM Contractors Pvt. Ltd. Village Chachwah Sangaldan-Ramban

Order No. : 123 JK PCC of 2024

Dated : 09/07/2024

Whereas, Consent to Operate (Renewal) was issued to M/s SRM Contractors Pvt. Ltd. Village Chachwah Sangaldan- Ramban vide Consent Order No. PCC/digital/21062167545 of 2021 dated 23-08-2021, with validity period upto May, 2022. The project proponent has failed to renew the Consent as 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 and;

Whereas, Hot Mix Plant 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 and;

Whereas, M/s SRM Contractors Pvt. Ltd. Village Chachwah, Sangaldan-Ramban is in operation in flagrant violation of Section 25/26 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974 and Section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act,1981 without obtaining consent to Operate (Renew) from the J&K Pollution Control Committee and operation of the Hot Mix Plant(HMP) in its present status can prove detrimental to human health and environment and;

Whereas, repeated notices were served upon the project proponent vide (notice dated 09-07-2022 & 15-09-2022) calling upon him to show cause within 15 days from its issuance as to why legal action including closure of the Hot Mix Plant(HMP) be not taken for the violation of various Environmental laws and;

Whereas, fresh inspection was carried out by the Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee Ramban on **22-04-2024**, revealing that the status of the Hot Mix Plant (HMP) remained unchanged. Regional Director, Pollution Control Committee Jammu vide letter No. PCC/RDJ/O/24/482-84 dt. 15-05-2024, confirmed the inspection report of Divisional Officer, PCC Ramban and accordingly recommended it for closure and;

Whereas, the Hot Mix Plant (HMP) 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:-

- Deputy Commissioner/ District Magistrate, Ramban is directed to close down the Hot Mix Plant(HMP) under the name and style of M/s SRM Contractors Pvt. Ltd. Village Chachwah Sangaldan- Ramban immediately.
- ii. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Ramban is directed to disconnect the electric supply to above said hot mix plant immediately.
- iii. Executive Engineer, **PHE Division**, Ramban is directed to disconnect the water supply to the above said hot mix plant immediately.
- iv. Shri Sanjay Mehta, Prop. M/s SRM Contractors Pvt. Ltd. Village Chachwah Sangaldan- Ramban is directed to cease the operation of the batching plant, forthwith.

Issued with the Approval of Competent Authority.

(Ghansham Singh), JKAS Member Secretary 9-7-24 J&K PCC

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- i. 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. Chief Engineer, Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd. (JPDCL), Canal Road, **Jammu** for information and necessary action.
- iv. Chief Engineer, PHE Jammu for information and necessary action
- v. Executive Engineer, (JPDCL) Electric Division, Ramban for information and necessary action.
- vi. Executive Engineer, PHE Division Ramban for information and necessary action.
- vii. Divisional Officer, Pollution Control Committee, Ramban for information and with the direction to follow up and get the closure order implemented through District Administration.
- viii. I/c website Pollution Control Committee Jammu for uploading the closure order
- ix. Shri Sanjay Mehta Prop. M/s SRM Contractors Pvt. Ltd. Village Chachwah Sangaldan- Ramban for compliance.