

Pollution Control Board:: Assam Bamunimaidam; Guwahati-21

(Department of Environment & Forests :: Government of Assam)

Phone: 0361-2652774 & 2550258; Website: www.pcbassam.org

No. WB/GUW/T-1039/07-08/241

Dated Guwahati the 10th May 2023

 T_0

M/s. Annapurna Food and Beverages Paschim Boragaon, Gotanagar Guwahati, Dist.: Kamrup (M) Assam-781033

E-mail ID-logistic@annapurnagroup.in

Sub: Revocation of Closure Direction-reg.

Ref: i. H.O, PCBA letterNo. WB/GUW/T-1039/07-08/238/1782 dtd 17.11.2023

ii. Your letter dated 31.12.2022 and 24.04.2023

WHEREAS, under Section 17 of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, one of the functions of the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) is to plan a comprehensive programme for prevention, control or abatement of air pollution and to secure the execution thereof and under Section 17 of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974, one of the functions of the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) is to plan a comprehensive programme for prevention, control or abatement of pollution of streams and wells in the state and to secure the execution thereof;

WHEREAS, under Section 21 of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Section 25 of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974, no person shall without the previous consent of the State Board, shall;

- establish or take any steps to establish any industry, operation or process, or any treatment and disposal system or any extension or addition thereto, which is likely to discharge sewage and trade effluent into a stream or well or sewer or on land; or
- b) bring into use any new or altered outlet for the discharge of sewage; or
- c) begin to make any new discharge of sewage;

WHEREAS, it is obligatory on the part of industries to install and operate Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) to comply with the effluent discharge standards as notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules framed thereunder;

WHEREAS, the Board issued "SHOW CAUSE NOTICE" to the unit vide letter no. WB/GUW/T-1039/07-08/238/₈₇₈ dtd. 21st July, 2022.

WHEREAS, the reply to the Show Cause Notice vide letter NIL dtd 05.08.2022, submitted by you, was not found satisfactory;

WHEREAS, an inspection was made by the Board officials on 11.08.2022 to your wahapitant and effluent sample was collected on the same day. As per the analysis reports of the said sample, the Oil & grease (O&G), Biochemcial Oxygen Demand (BOD) and Suspended Solid (SS) results are exceedingly high and beyond permissible limits. It was also observed that the effluent was discharged by passing the ETP without any treatment from its sister concern M/s Sundarban Food Products Ltd. which is causing environmental pollution.

WHEREAS, vide letter no. WB/GUW/T-1039/07-08/238/1782 dtd. 17.11.2022, the unit was directed to pay an Environmental Compensation of Rs.5, 75, 000.00.

WHEREAS, vide letter dated 31.12.2022, the unit had informed that an amount of Rs.2,87,500.00, which is 50% of total Environmental Compensation of Rs. 5,75,000.00 levied by PCBA, had been paid. Moreover, it had been stated that the unit would shift to another location at Palasbari by May, 2023.

WHEREAS, vide letter dated 24.04.2023, the unit had informed that they had renovated the existing Effluent Treatment Plant(ETP) and also working to improve the waste water treatment process by installing 5 KL Multi Grade Filter (MGF) and also requested to revoke the Closure Notice.

In view of the above, the closure direction issued to the unit vide letter no. WB/GUW/T-1039/07-08/238/1782 dtd. 17.11.2022 is hereby revoked with immediate effect.

(Dr. Arup Kr. Mishra) Chairman

Memo No. WB/GUW/T-1039/07-08/241-A

Dated Guwahati the 10th May 2023

Copy to:

1. P.A. to the Chairman, PCBA for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Chairman.

- 2. The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Department of Env. & Forests, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of information.
- 3. The Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup Metro District, Pin-781001 for information.

4. The Commissioner of Police, Kamrup Metro District for information.

5. The Chief General Manager (D), APDCL, Lower Assam Region, Bijulee Bhawan, 5th Floor, Paltan Bazar, Guwahati-781001 for favour of information. He is requested to restore the electricity connection to the unit with immediate effect.

6. The Sr. Env. Engineer, Regional Office, Guwahati, PCBA for information.

(Dr. Shantanu Kr. Dutta) Member Secretary