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Date: 27/12/2024

To,
**Superintendent Engineer (Electrical),
Pune Municipal Corporation,
Pune.**

Sub: Proposed Directions under section 33 A of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.

- Ref :**
- 1) Hon'ble NGT passed an Order in OA No. 593/2017.
 - 2) Consent to Operate granted by the Board vide no. BO/JD(WPC)/ROPUNE/UAN No. 89247/CC/2009000484, Dtd. 09/09/2020
 - 3) Complaint received from Ex. MLA Shri. Mahadev Babar, Hadapsar, Assembly Constituency regarding pollution of Mula and Mutha Rivers received from the Environment Department, GoM vide letter Dtd. 17/10/2024
 - 4) Inspection carried out by the Board Official of STP plants on 07/11/2024.
 - 5) Proposal for legal actions submitted by the Sub Regional Officer, M.P.C. Board, Pune-I vide letter no. MPCB-LEGAL-ACTIONS-111124028, Dtd. 27/12/2024.

AND WHEREAS, you are operating Sewage Treatment Plant located in the "Pollution Prevention Area" under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, and Hazardous and Other Wastes (M and TM) Rules, 2016 followed by further amendments made therein from time to time ANDWHEREAS, it is obligatory on your part to operate the STPs with valid consent to operate from the Board.

AND WHEREAS, it is obligatory on your part to treat the entire sewage generating from Pune Municipal Corporation Jurisdiction by providing adequate sewage treatment plants and full-fledged network of sewage carrying system, so as to achieve the standards prescribed under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 r/w the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

AND WHEREAS, it is obligatory on your part to maintain the wholesomeness of Water Quality of the Natural Water Bodies including aquatic flora and fauna life by avoiding contamination of water.

AND WHEREAS, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal has passed an Order in O. A. No. 593/2017 and directed to all the local bodies shall ensure 100% treatment of the generated sewage and solid waste and in default to pay compensation which is to be recovered by the State with effect from the 01/04/2020.

AND WHEREAS, Complaint received from Ex. MLA Shri. Mahadev Babar, Hadapsar, Assembly Constituency regarding pollution of Mula and Mutha Rivers received from the Environment Department, GoM vide letter Dtd. 17/10/2024

AND WHEREAS, the Board Official carried out the inspection of the STPs and accordingly Sub Regional Officer, Pune-I has submitted legal action proposal vide reference (3) above and therein reported below:

- (1) You are discharging about 406 MLD untreated domestic effluent into the River Mula, Mutha, Mula-Mutha and Ramnadi.

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- (2) You have not operated existing 09 Nos. of STPs with full capacity.
- (3) You have not submitted the Bank Guarantees as per the conditions prescribed in Schedule-III in the Board's consent granted vide no. BO/JD(WPC)/ROPUNE/UAN No. 89247/CC/2009000484, Dtd. 09/09/2020
- (4) You have not submitted action plan toward utilization of the treated domestic effluent.
- (5) You have not provided alternative power supply to operate the sewage treatment plant continuously, when failure of regular electricity.
- (6) You have not deployed the technical manpower for the operation of the Sewage Treatment Plant.
- (7) You have dismantled the old Naidu STP and started the construction of New STP in lieu of the old STP. However, not obtained amended consent for the same from the Board.
- (8) You have completed the construction work of the STP at Rajiv Gandhi Wildlife Sanctuary at Katraj, near to Pashan Lake without obtaining consent to establish and consent to operate from the Board.

AND WHEREAS, after examining the record of your case and reports of the officers of the Board, it has been concluded that, you are discharging untreated domestic effluent into the River Mula, Mutha, Mula-Mutha and Ramnadi through various Nallas.

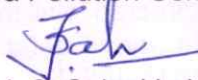
AND WHEREAS it has been observed that you have failed to comply with the conditions stipulated in the Consent and MSW Authorization granted by the Board and thereby discharging untreated effluent into the environment / into the nearby nalla, which meets to the River Mula, Mutha, Mula-Mutha and Ramnadi thereby causing water pollution into the environment, affecting health of citizens

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the above non-compliance, you are hereby directed to show cause as to:

1. Why shall not initiate further stringent action with recommendation against your local body?
2. Why not impose environmental compensation as per the Hon'ble NGT order in OA 593/2017?

You are hereby given an opportunity to respond within 15 days with corrective action plan along with the short term measures and long term measures to treat 100% domestic effluent of your corporation jurisdictions, from issuance of these directions, failing which, MPCB will initiate legal action against your unit without giving any further notice in accordance with the provisions of the Water (prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, which please note.

For and on behalf of
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board



(J. S. Salunkhe)

Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune

Copy submitted for information to:

1. Hon'ble The Member Secretary, MPCB, Mumbai.
2. The Municipal Commissioner, Pune Municipal Corporation, Pune.

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1. Joint Director (APC & WPC), M.P.C. Board, Mumbai.
2. Law Officer, M.P.C. Board, Mumbai.

Copy to- The Sub-Regional Officer, M.P.C. Board, Pune-I :- He is directed to take follow up and ensure the compliance of the aforesaid directions.

