

MAHARASHTRA POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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No. MPCB/RONM/Direction/ 2205770001

Date: 17/05/2022

To,
M/s. Executive Engineer
MIDC Taloja/Alibaug, Tal- Panvel,
Dist- Raigad

Sub: Directions under section 33 (A) of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and/or u/s. 31A of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 to take necessary steps to stop the discharge of effluent in to the river.

- Ref: - 1) Office Note vide MPCB_LEGAL_Actions-101020004
2) Telephonic Complaint received from Shri. Arvind Mhatre on 10/5/2022.
3) Visit of the Board Officer dtd. 10/5/2022.
4) Email and telephonic Complaint received from Shri. Govind joshi on 11/5/2022
5) Visit of the Board Officer dtd. 11/5/2022.
6) Order passed by Hon'ble NGT dated 9.4.2019 in OA No 125 of 2018 filed by Arvind Mhatre V/s MoEF and Others

WHEREAS, the Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) is the planning Authority for providing infrastructure facilities for the MIDC area and also to ensure that the industries located in the MIDC area should have been provided with proper water supply, roads, drainage lines including proper collection and sewerage line as well as treatment and disposal system to the waste water generated from their activities. **AND WHEREAS**, the responsibility of treated effluent discharge line is with MIDC and it was obligatory on your part to maintain the same properly.

AND WHEREAS, this office has received complaint from Shri. Arvind Mhatre on 10/5/2022 regarding effluent meeting Kasadi River through local nalla near Plot No. 73, New Chemical Zone, MIDC Taloja. Accordingly, the Officers of the Sub-Regional office, Taloja has visited to the said location on 10/5/2022 and reported that MIDC chamber observed for reddish colour effluent and overflowing at some places resulting meeting Kasadi river through local nalla.

AND WHEREAS, This particular spot near Plot No. 73, New Chemical Zone, MIDC Taloja was jointly inspected along with you earlier also and it was directed to stop effluent in storm water drains., however it is seen that no effective steps have been initiated by you in this regards yet, resulting in discharge of effluent into Kasadi river.

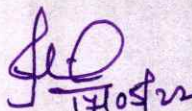
AND WHEREAS, the telephonic complaint again received from Mr. Govind joshi regarding MIDC Chamber overflow. Accordingly, the Officers of the Sub-Regional office, Taloja has visited to the said location on 11/5/2022 and reported that MIDC drainage carrying partially treated effluent towards CETP near G-13/4 plot got damaged due to vehicular movement and has cause overflow. Therefore, from both incidences, It is very clear that Operation & Maintenance of MIDC chambers are very poor resulting leakages/overflow into kasadi river pollution.

AND WHEREAS, after examining the records of your case, the reports of the Officers of the Board and after making necessary enquiries, I have observed that your inaction has resulted in grave injury to the Environment.

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by the Board u/s. 33 A of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, you are hereby directed to:

1. Repair & Revamp drainage line / chambers at necessary places.
2. Take appropriate O & M of Chambers to avoid overflow of effluent into the Kasadi river.
3. You should lift all the effluent accumulated in the earthen Kaccha Pits to inlet and should dispose the contaminated soil to MWML.
4. You shall provide proper ground safety guard on chamber which are located on road corner where continuous vehicular movement are occurring in MIDC.
5. You shall lift out all the accumulated effluent on roadside to CETP chambers by providing truck mounted sucking pump as and when such incidences occur.

Any reply shall reach this office within period of 07 days from date of receipt of this direction, failing which, further action deem fit will be initiated, which may please be noted.


(D. B. Patil)

Regional Officer, Navi Mumbai

Copy submitted for information to:

1. Member Secretary, M.P.C. Board, Sion Mumbai.
2. Chief Engineer, MIDC, Andheri, Mumbai.

Copy f.w.c to:

1. Superintending Engineer (Kokan), MIDC Panvel:- You are requested to submit the action taken report at earliest.
2. Regional Officer (BMW), MPC Board, Mumbai

Copy to:

Sub- Regional Officer, MPC Board, Taloja

He is directed to serve the directions in person and keep the follow up and submit compliance from time to time.

