

**MAHARASHTRA POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
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No. MPCB/ROR/TB/PD/ 231130002

Date: 13.11.2023

To,  
M/s. Sanika Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.,  
Plot No. E-28, MIDC Mahad,  
Tal- Mahad, Dist. Raigad

**Sub:-** Proposed directions under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 read with Solid Waste Management Rule 2016.

**Ref :-**

1. Consent Granted by the MPC Board
2. Telephonic Complaint received regarding fish kill incidence occurred at Temghar nalla on 09.11.2023
3. Visit of the Board officials dtd.09.11.2023
4. Closure Direction issued by Board dtd 14.07.2023
5. Restart direction issued by Board dtd 17.08.2023
6. Proposal received from Mahad, through legal module No. Legal Action No. MPCB-LEGAL\_ACTIONS- 101123019

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**WHEREAS**, the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has granted Consent to Operate u/s 26 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and u/s 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 & Authorization under Rule 6 of the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Trans-boundary Movement) Rules, 2016, on 01.03.2021 which is valid up to 31.03.2025 subject to certain terms and conditions.

**AND WHEREAS**, it was also obligatory on your part to provide adequate and efficient pollution control devices and take adequate measures to control air & water pollution, so as to achieve the consented standards.

**AND WHEREAS**, the SRO Mahad office has received a telephonic complaint regarding fish kill incidence occurred in the Temghar nalla on 09.11.2023. In order to verify fish kill incidence officials of SRO Mahad has carried out vigilance in Temghar nalla near M/s Hikal bridge area and visited to M/s. Sanika Chemical Pvt. Ltd. Plot No. E-28 on 09.11.2023. During visit it was observed that there was seepage of acidic effluent through boundary wall which meet in to MIDC nalla which finally meets to Temghar Nalla and due to that fish kill incidence might have happened.

**AND WHEREAS**, as per the conditional direction you shall ensure there shall not be any type of discharge of effluent treated/untreated /direct /indirect/seepages outside the industry premises but you have failed to comply with conditional restart issued by board on 17.08.2023. Also you have not submitted bank guarantee of Rs 10.0 lakh as per conditional restart order issued by M.P.C. Board.

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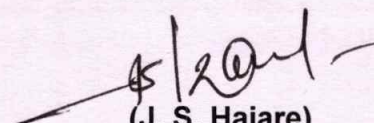
**AND WHEREAS**, despite issuance of various directions by the Board from time to time, you have not taken corrective steps to control pollution & complied with directions issued by the Board from time to time. **AND WHEREAS**, the Board has given you sufficient & reasonable time to comply with the consent conditions & directions, however, you have failed to comply with the consent granted by Board. You are once again directed to submit the bank guarantee of Rs. 10.0 Lakh as per Conditional Direction dtd. 17.08.2023.

**AND WHEREAS**, after examination of the record of your case the reports of the officers of the Board and after making necessary inquiry, I am satisfied that you are violating Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and causing pollution in the surrounding area.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in view of above stated facts and in exercise of the power conferred upon me by Board under section 33 A of the Water (P &CP) Act, 1974, following directions are proposed to be issued.

1. Why your consent shall not be refused?
2. Why your industrial activities shall not be closed down ?
3. Why legal action shall not be initiated against your industry?

You are hereby given an opportunity to respond within 7 days from issuance of these directions, failing which, MPCB will initiate legal action against your industry without giving any further notice in accordance with the provisions of the Water (prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, which please be noted.

  
(J. S. Hajare)  
Regional Officer, Raigad.

**Copy submitted to:**

- 1) Joint Director (APC), MPCB, Sion, Mumbai.
- 2) Law officer, MPCB Sion, Mumbai-for information.

**Copy to:**

- 1) Sub Regional Officer, M.P.C. Board, Mahad- He is directed to ensure that the said PD to be served to the local body & submit the compliance report of the direction after verification without fail.
- 2) Master File.