## COMMISSION FOR AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT IN NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION AND ADJOINING AREAS 17th Floor, Jawahar Vyapar Bhawan (STC Building) Tolstoy Marg, New Delhi-110001

F.No. A-110018/01/2021-CAQM/2311-2313

Dated: 08.12.2021

## ORDER

Subject: Direction No. 46 dated 02.12.2021 issued by the Commission.

- **Ref:** (i) UP Govt.'s letter No. 1277/81-7-2021-09(Writ)/2016 T.C.-2 dated 03.12.2021
  - (ii) This Office letter of even No. dated 06.12.2021
  - (iii) UP Govt.'s letter No. 1292/81-7-2021-09(Writ)/2016 T.C.-2 dated 07.12.2021

Subject Directions issued by the Commission *inter-alia* directed that "industrial operations and processes in NCR not running on PNG or cleaner fuels shall be allowed to operate only upto 8 hours a day from Monday to Friday and shall not be allowed to operate on Saturdays and Sundays."

2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition (C) No. 1135/2020 has inter-alia ordered on 3/12/2021 that :-

"Mr. Ranjit Kumar, learned Senior Counsel, appearing for the State of U. P. raised an objection about partial closing of some sugar industries. In view of the objections raised by the learned Senior Counsel, liberty is granted to the State of U. P. to approach to the Commission for the said purpose, and its request shall be considered on its own merits and in accordance with the law by the Commission".

- 3. Accordingly, vide letter dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021, State Govt. of UP has requested for exemption for pulp and paper industries, sugar mills, distillery, milk processing / diary units and MSME units etc. from the ambit of the above noted directions.
- 4. In view of the above, additional details and technical information were sought by the Commission from the State Govt. of UP vide letter dated 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 in respect of total number of industries, number of industries in each fuel category, type of fuel used by the industries for which exemption has been sought, estimation of emissions from this set of industries as percentage of collective emissions from all industries in NCR etc.

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5. The matter has examined in respectful compliance of Hon'ble Supreme Court's Order dated 03.12.2021 related to objection / representation raised by the State Govt. of Uttar Pradesh in respect of partial closure of sugar industries and based on supplementary information and technical details provided to the Commission by the State Government. It has accordingly been decided, as a special case, to permit running of sugar industries in NCR Districts of U. P. as well as NCR districts of State of Haryana and Rajasthan, considering the crushing season / timing of the crop cycle and the technical requirements of the industrial operations in processing and manufacturing sugar, subject to strict compliance of conditions prescribed in the consent to operate (CTO) including emission and effluent discharge norms.

(Arvind Nautiyal) Member Secretary

To

- 1. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow.
- 2. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh.

3. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Rajasthan, Jaipur.

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