F.No.B-29012/1/2012/E

June 04, 2012

To.

The Chairman, SPCBs /PCCs (List enclosed)

- Sub: Directions under Section 18(1)(b) of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, regarding Classification of Industries into Red/Orange & Green Category
- Whereas, amongst others, under Section 16 (b) of the Water Act 1974, one of the functions of the Central Board is to co-ordinate the activities of the State Boards
- Whereas, under Section 16(c) of the Water Act 1974, one of the functions of the Central Board is to provide technical assistance to the State Board
- Whereas, it has been brought into notice of the Central Board, that the SPCBs/PCCs are following different criteria for classification of industries into red, green & orange category. This classification is being used by the SPCBs/PCCs for issuance of Consents to industries and invetorization of industries
- Whereas, the issue regarding classification of industries was deliberated upon in the 56th Conference of Chairmen & Member Secretaries held on August 31, 2010 and a Working Group comprising of representatives from SPCBs & CPCB was constituted to prepare a consolidated list of industries falling under the Red, Green & Orange category to bring uniformity in classification of industries across the country.
- Whereas, the report prepared by the Working group was discussed in the 57th Conference of Chairmen & Member Secretaries of SPCBs/PCCs held in Delhi on 15.09.2011, where in some modifications were proposed.
- Whereas, the final Report of the Working Group has been prepared, envisaging the suggestions/observations made in the 57th Conference of Chairmen/ Member Secretaries of SPCBs/PCCs
- Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers delegated to the Chairman, Central Board, under Section 18(1)(b) of the Water Act , 1974, the following Directions are issued for compliance:
 - (a) To maintain uniformity in categorization of industries as red, green and orange, the SPCBs/PCCs shall adopt the list as given at Table 7.3, 7.4 & 7.5

in the enclosed report, for grant of Consent, inventorization of industries in red, green & orange category and other related activities

(b) The SPCBs/PCCs shall revise the list of red, green and orange category of industries available with them based on the criteria specified in the enclosed report in their State/UT and submit the same to CPCB within 90 days of receipt of this letter. A hard copy as well as soft copy of the same shall be submitted

The report on action taken for compliance of the Directions shall be submitted to CPCB within one month of the receipt of these Directions

(Mira Mehrishi) Chairperson

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(Mira Mehrishi)

