

Pollution Control Board, Assam

(Department of Environment & Forests : : Government of Assam)

অসম প্ৰদূষণ নিয়ন্ত্ৰণ পৰিষদ

(অসম চৰকাৰৰ বন আৰু পৰিৱেশ বিভাগ)

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Dated Guwahati, the 24th April' 2020.

Notification

Sub: Extension of validity period of Consent/Authorization expired on 31/03/2020-reg.

Whereas, the outbreak of Corona virus (COVID-19) and declaration of lockdown by the Government of India has interrupted the functioning of the Office as movement of personnel has been restricted and office is operating with minimum staff.

Whereas, It is mandatory on a part of every industry to obtain valid Consent to Operate and Authorization from the Pollution Control Board Assam under section 26 of The Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, under section 21 of The Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and under various provisions of the rules framed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Whereas, it has been observed that many industries have obtained consent to operate from the Board with validity period up to 31/03/2020 and subsequently applied for its renewal. Many applications are still under process with the Board since inspection of the industries is not feasible due to declaration of lockdown and restrictions in movement of personnel.

Whereas, it is important that the critical and essential activities operate uninterruptedly, so that essential goods and services are available. Therefore the Pollution Control Board Assam deems it necessary that all the industries having Consent to operate/Authorization validity period up to 31/3/2020 and have applied for its renewal for the next term and whose applications are under process be extended up to 30th June 2020 as an interim measure.

Now, therefore, the Pollution Control Board Assam in public interest hereby extend the Consent/Authorization validity period for three months of all those industries/establishments having Consent/Authorization validity up to 31/03/2020 and have applied online for its renewal subject to the same term and conditions stipulated in the previous Consent/Authorization granted by the Board. The Consent/Authorization of those industries/establishments having Consent/Authorization validity up to 31/03/2020 and have applied online for its renewal shall be treated as valid up to 30/06/20 and are permitted to carry out their commercial production activity.

This notification comes into effect from the date of issue and is applicable for the industries mentioned in the order issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India vide No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 15/04/2020 and subsequent orders related to Corona virus outbreak.

Member Secretary (i/c)

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