

## CHHATTISGARH ENVIRONMENT CONSERVATION BOARD Commercial Complex, Chhattisgarh Housing Board Colony, Kabir Nagar, Raipur (C.G.)

No.5734/TS/CECB/2016,

dated 24+2/2016.

## -: Office Order :-

Subject: "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" based on self-certification for Red, Orange & Green category industries.

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Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board intends to initiate "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" based on self-certification under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 for Red, Orange & Green category industries. The issue of Auto-Renewal of Consent shall be based on the submission of self-certification of compliance of consent conditions. Presently, all consent applications for establishment, first operate, expansion/modification and renewals are considered by the Board at the level of Regional Offices for industries having capital investment up-to Rs. Five Crore in plant and machinery. The cases of industries having capital investment more than Rs. Five Crore in plants and machinery are dealt at the level of Head Office. With the increased number of industries, as per requirement under 'Ease of Doing Business' to facilitate the project proponents and also considering time limit of two months for disposal of aforesaid cases, the "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" is being introduced.

The strategies for effective implementations of environmental regulations include enforcement and compliance aspects, which are being handled simultaneously with the consent. In order to expedite the consent, it is now proposed to emphasis enforcement and compliance as discrete activities, along with the responsibility of declaring the compliance of regulations by the concerned industry, while seeking renewal of consent.

It has been observed that, due to rise in the number of environmental related laws, increase in public awareness towards pollution prevention and requirement of submission of consent renewal to other statutory D/CECB/Ease of Doing Business/Officer - Order Auto Renewal.

authorities, the workload has increased considerably at the Regional Offices and at Head Office. The workload on CECB for consent management can be substantially reduced by introducing the "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" for Red, Orange & Green category industries, so that CECB can give more emphasis on compliance and monitoring.

Therefore, it is decided to accept applications henceforth for Auto-Renewal of Consent of the Red, Orange & Green category industries along with self-certification and commitment letter, and grant Auto-Renewal within stipulated time period.

The salient features of this scheme are as under:-

- 1. This scheme will be applicable for all the industries under Red, Orange & Green category.
- 2. The "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" shall be applicable when there is no increase in overall production capacity and also, in pollution load.
- 3. For the Auto-Renewal of Consent, industries having capital investment up-to Rs. Five Crore in plant and machinery shall submit consent application form and format of self-certification (Annexure-A) on compliance of earlier Consent / Renewal conditions duly signed by authorized person along with the prescribed fees at concerned Regional Offices. Industry shall also submit commitment towards compliance of the Consent / Renewal conditions & the environmental laws in prescribed format. (Annexure-B).
- 4. For the Auto-Renewal of Consent, industries having capital investment more than Rs. Five Crore in plant and machinery shall submit consent application form and format of self-certification (Annexure-A) on compliance of earlier Consent / Renewal conditions duly signed by authorized person along with the prescribed fees at Head Office. Industry shall also submit commitment towards compliance of the Consent / Renewal conditions & the environmental laws in prescribed format (Annexure-B).
- 5. The auto-renewal can be availed for the period of maximum Five Years for Red category of industries, Ten Years for Orange category of industries and Fifteen Years for Green category of industries subject to payment of prescribed fees.

- 6. The industry shall submit application under "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" to Head Office or concerned Regional Office as per requirement. The renewal shall be issued by concerned office and be reflected in the website of CECB within 15 days.
- 6. Following condition shall be incorporated in the Consent while granting renewal under "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent":-
- b) Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board reserves the rights to revoke the Consent at any time for any violation/non-compliance.
- c) In case, if the capital investment is increased by such amount that the total investment exceeds the range for which renewal fees has been paid, the industry shall have to pay the difference amount of renewal fees for the corresponding block years.
- d) In case, the prescribed fee payable is amended in future, the industry shall be liable to pay the difference amount for corresponding block years."

This "Scheme of Auto-Renewal of Consent" shall be applicable from the date of issue of this Office Order.

Member Secretary

Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board Raipur (C.G.)

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- 1. All concerned officers, Head Office, Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board, Raipur.
- 2. Regional Officer, Regional Office, Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board, Raipur/Bilaspur/Bhilai-Durg/Korba/Raigarh/Ambikapur/Jagdalpur for information and necessary action.

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