



ABSTRACT

TNPCB – P&D – DISTRICT REFORMS ACTION PLAN - ONLINE APPLICATION FOR CONSENT / AUTHORISATION FROM THE ENTERPRISES / INDUSTRIES – ORDERS ISSUED – REG.

B.P. No. 27

Dated: 07.08.2020.

Read: Board Resolution No. 281-2- 10, dated 30.07.2020

Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) was constituted by the Government of Tamil Nadu in 1982 under section 4 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 (Central Act 6 of 1974). At the time of constitution, the Board has implemented only three Acts. Later on, due rapid industrial development and urbanization, the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India have notified various Acts and Rules to protect the environment in the country. The State Pollution Control Boards are the main implementing authority of these Acts and Rules in the respective State. Consequently, TNPCB is now implementing the Water Act, Air Act and Environment Protection Act and the Rules framed thereunder.

TNPCB issues Consent to the industries for establishing and operation under the Water and Air Acts and issues Authorisations under various waste management Rules framed under the Environment Protection Act.

In order to ease the process of application and issue of consent, the TNPCB has introduced an online system called Online Consent Management and Monitoring System (OCMMS) from January 2015 and the same is effective in use by the Board and the industries.

The initiative of Ease of Doing Business has been taken by the TNPCB in the year 2014 itself and hence, TNPCB has developed OCMMS by using National Informatics Centre (NIC), New Delhi which has developed the same for over 24 State Pollution Control Boards in India.

OCMMS was implemented by the TNPCB in 2015 and since then, the TNPCB receives all the applications for consent and authorisation only through online and all the supporting documents are also received only through online. The consent fee is also received through online payment and only a few small industries submit the consent fee offline. The TNPCB has also facilitated online payment for analytical charges remitted by the industries. So, major portion of the consent fee and analytical charges are received through online payment only.

The Industrial Guidance Bureau has been formed by Government of Tamil Nadu as part of Ease of Doing Business under Business Reforms Act. Under the Business Reforms it is suggested that all the Departments of Government of Tamil Nadu shall develop online system for the issue of license to the industries.

As far as TNPCB is concerned, OCMMS has already been developed to the process of issuing consent and authorisation online entirely.

A meeting was convened by the Guidance Bureau on 27.07.2020 under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary to Government and during the meeting it was presented by the Guidance Bureau that District Reforms Action Plant (DRAP) has been developed by Guidance Bureau and it has been that all the organizations have to issue G.O from their respective Departments covering the all the above aspects of the services.

The subject was placed before the Board in the meeting held on 30.07.2020. The Board vide resolution 281-2-10, dated 2020, resolved to approve and issue the Board Proceedings on the following points with respect to the online application for consent / authorisation from the enterprises / industries, and to inform the Government for information.

1. No physical / manual application to be required by the District Environmental Engineer in addition to online application.



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2. No physical copies of documents to be requested by the District Environmental Engineer, and documents uploaded with online application should be sufficient.
3. The application should be disposed off within the stipulated timeline by the District Environmental Engineer.
4. The District Environmental Engineer should accept downloaded certificate as valid and should not require physically signed / stamped certificate from the applicant.
5. The District Environmental Engineer should not be required to get in touch with the Applicant physically except in cases where inspection / site visit is mandated by law.

Sd/-xxxx
Chairman

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12/8/20
For Chairman

To

All the District Environmental Engineers
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.

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2. All the HODs in the Head Office,
3. OCMMS Team,
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