



TAMILNADU POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

From
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To
The Commissioner,
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Ripon Building,
Chennai – 600 003

Lr.No.T4/TNPCB/F.007641/BMWM/2020-1 Dated: 13.04.2020

Sir,

Sub: TNPCB-BMWM – Revised CPCB Guidelines for Handling, Treatment and Disposal of Waste Generated during Treatment/ Diagnosis/ Quarantine of COVID-19 Patients – Duties of Urban Local Bodies - To ensure the compliance of the Guidelines - Regarding.

Ref:

1. CPCB Guidelines for Handling, Treatment and Disposal of Waste Generated during Treatment/ Diagnosis/ Quarantine of COVID-19 Patients
2. Lr. No. B-31011/BMW(94)/2020/WM-1 dated 25.03.2020 received from the Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board
3. Revision 1 of CPCB Guidelines for Handling, Treatment and Disposal of Waste Generated during Treatment/ Diagnosis/ Quarantine of COVID-19 Patients (copy enclosed)
4. TNPCB Lr.No.T4/TNPCB/F.007641/BMWM/2020-1 Dated:26.03.2020
5. JCEE's Lr.No.F.LDP/BMW/JCEE(M)/TNPCB/CHN.ZONE/2020, Dt:12.04.2020

I invite kind attention to the letter vide reference fourth cited, wherein TNPCB has requested to comply with the Guidelines issued by CPCB and to ensure safe handling and disposal of biomedical waste generated during the treatment and general solid waste collected from quarantine homes or home care and also to maintain information on each COVID – 19 treatment wards/ quarantine centres/ quarantine homes.

As per the Guidelines, the urban local bodies shall envisage the following options to facilitate safe collection and disposal of biomedical waste from quarantined homes/Home care;

- a) Engage authorized waste collectors for door steps collection of biomedical waste and transfer to collection points for further pick-up by CBWTF; and/or
- b) In case number of quarantined homes/Home-care units are less, ULBs may engage services of CBWTFs to collect the waste directly from door-steps

However, it has been brought to the notice of the Board that, the household (domestic) biomedical wastes such as Masks, Gloves, etc., collected by the local bodies have not been disposed through the Common Biomedical Waste Treatment Facilities.

Hence, it is requested that necessary arrangements may be made to collect the domestic biomedical wastes such as the Masks, Gloves, etc., and to keep the same at designated places in safe custody and to inform the concerned Common Biomedical Waste Disposal Facility operator for proper collection, treatment (Incineration) and disposal. The contact details of the CBMWTFs with coverage area are enclosed herewith for information.

The receipt of this letter may be acknowledged.

Encl: as above

**Sd/-
CHAIRMAN
TNPCCB**

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1. The Principal Secretary to Government,
Municipal Administration & Water Supply Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai.
2. All the CBMWTFs – for information and for necessary
(List enclosed) follow up with the ULBs