

Pollution Control Board, Assam Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21

GUIDELINES

No. WB/G-1548/19-20/62

Dated Guwahati the 11th May' 2020

Some serious cases of chemical leakages, industrial mishaps have been reported recently. As per guidelines issued by the Central Pollution Control Board vide letter No. B-29014/IPC-I/MSIHC/2020 dated 08th May, 2020 the industrial units before resuming operation should ensure immediate compliance of the following:

- 1. A proper safety and hazard audit should be undertaken by all units before resuming operation. The units manufacturing, storing, import hazardous chemicals to resume their operations after COVID 19 lockdown, only after they have taken adequate and necessary steps to prevent the occurrence of any chemical leakage / accident.
- 2. All the units must ensure their pollution control equipments, connectivity of OCEMS with CPCB/SPCB Servers, Effluent Treatment Plants including safety equipment and its machineries shall be kept in good operable conditions before resuming operation in present COVID 19 situation.
- 3. All units must take utmost care in handling hazardous chemical by using trained manpower.
- 4. All units must ensure safety of workers and residents in vicinity.
- 5. Any industry involved in the Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals must comply with the stipulated provisions of the Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules, 1989 and the Chemical Accidents (Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response) Rules, 1996 without fail.
- 6. All industry must have an upto-date insurance policy under Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 and copy of the same should be submitted to PCBA, without fail.

Member Secretary (i/c)

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Copy to:

- The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Department of Environment & 1. Forest, Dispur for kind information.
- The All Deputy Commissioner in the Districts of Assam for kind information 2. and necessary action.
- P.A. to the Chairman, PCBA for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Chairman. 3.
- The ACEE/SEE, Zone I/II/III/IV/V, Head Office, PCBA for information. 4.
- The ACEE/SEE/REE; RO / RLO; Guwahati-1 / Guwahati-2 / Tezpur / Bongaigaon / Silchar/Sivasagar/Dibrugarh/Golaghat/Nagaon, PCBA for information & necessary action.
- The HoIT, IT Section, Head Office, PCBA Requested to upload this Guideline in the Board's Website.
 - 7. The SPRO cum Head of Advertisement Cell, PCBA to publish the 'GUIDELINES' in the "The Assam Tribune" in all editions.
 - Notice Board; Pollution Control Board, Assam.