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CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार.
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE, GOVT. OF INDIA.

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June 08, 2026

To,

The Chairman
(As per list for 15 SPCBs and 06 PCCs)

Sub: Direction under Section 18(1)(b) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 for on-boarding into Unified Consent and Authorization Management System (UCAMS) portal of CPCB, as per the Guidelines for the Grant, Refusal or Cancellation of Consent- Reg.

WHEREAS, under Section 25 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, and Section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, no person shall, without the previous consent of the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC), establish or take any steps to establish any industry, operation, process, treatment or disposal system, or any industrial plant or extension/addition thereto, which is likely to discharge sewage or trade effluent into a stream, well, sewer or land, or operate in an air pollution control area; and

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), has amended The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 on 15.02.2024, wherein provisions have been made about exemption of certain category of industries from the consent mechanism and also that the Central Government in consultation with the Central Board, may, by notification in the Official Gazette, issue guidelines on the matters relating to the grant, refusal or cancellation of consent by any State Board including the mechanism for time-bound disposal of the application made under the said Act. Further, similar Amendment was made to the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 under the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the MoEF&CC vide Notifications No. G.S.R. 85(E) dated 30.01.2025 and G.S.R. 84(E) dated 29.01.2025, issued Guidelines for the Grant, Refusal, or Cancellation of Consent under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, respectively, which have come into force on the respective dates of their publication in the Official Gazette; and these guidelines were amended vide Notification No. G.S.R. 63 (E) dated 23.01.2026 and vide Notification No. G.S.R. 62 (E) dated 23.01.2026 under the Water Act and the Air Act respectively.

WHEREAS, the MoEF&CC vide Notifications No. G.S.R. 702(E) and G.S.R. 703(E), dated 12.11.2024, issued that industries which have already obtained Environmental Clearance (EC) under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 shall be exempted from the requirement of obtaining previous Consent to Establish (CTE) under the Water Act and the Air Act; and that industries categorized as "White Category" shall be fully exempted from both CTE and Consent to Operate (CTO) requirements as stipulated therein; and

WHEREAS, the SPCBs and PCCs are required to ensure the implementation of various provisions stipulated in the aforesaid notifications and the timely disposal of applications for

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CTE, and CTO, with a view to strengthening transparency, accountability, and uniformity in the consent mechanism across the country; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with provision under Section 16 of the aforesaid Notifications No. G.S.R. 85(E) dated 30.01.2025 and G.S.R. 84(E) dated 29.01.2025, the CPCB has developed a centralized portal titled - Unified Consent & Authorization Management System (UCAMS) with comprehensive modules covering Registration of industries, Application submission through secure authentication, end to end processing including scrutiny, inspection, lab sampling, compliance verification, approval/rejection, issuance of certificates, monitoring, along with a dedicated mobile app support with geo-fencing, and generation & download of consolidated consent and authorization, which serve as a single-point data repository to ensure streamlined management and effective implementation of the prescribed guidelines. All applications for the grant of consent are required to be processed and disposed of exclusively through UCAMS across all States and Union Territories; and

WHEREAS, as per Section 16(2) of Notifications No. G.S.R. 85(E) dated 30.01.2025 and G.S.R. 84(E) dated 29.01.2025, after the portal becomes operational, all applications for grant of consent under Section 25 of the Water Act and Section 21 of the Air Act and its renewal, verification, site inspection, refusal, or cancellation of consent, shall be processed and disposed of only through such portal in all States and Union Territories.

WHEREAS, the Unified Consent and Authorization Management System (UCAMS) is ready for implementation w.e.f. 12.01.2026 and 05 SPCBs/PCCs, namely Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Ladakh, and Andaman and Nicobar Islands have also on boarded.

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the adoption and effective implementation of the aforesaid guidelines, the Chairman, CPCB convened meetings with the Chairmen and Member Secretaries of the SPCBs/PCCs on 02.05.2025 and 21.08.2025. In addition, CPCB held consultations with the designated nodal officers of the SPCBs/PCCs to ensure the coordinated implementation of the UCAMS; and

WHEREAS, out of 28 states, 18 States have adopted the Water Act, 1974 (as amended) till date.

WHEREAS, as on date, 3 SPCBs and 2 PCCs have on boarded in UCAMS. It is imperative that all remaining 15 SPCBs and 6 PCCs complete the on boarding into UCAMS, in order to achieve uniformity, transparency, and centralized monitoring of consent-related activities across the country.

WHEREAS, all SPCBs/PCCs were requested vide letter dated 11.02.2026 to provide name and contact details of nodal officer for coordination and implementation of UCAMS, and a meeting was also convened in this regard on 26.02.2026.

WHEREAS, to facilitate on boarding, CPCB is conducting daily UCAMS On-boarding Support Sessions from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM on all working days, with session details available on the UCAMS Portal (<https://ucams.cpcb.gov.in>), and has established a dedicated helpdesk accessible through helpline numbers 011-43102497 / 011-43102498 and via email at helpdesk-ucams.cpcb@gov.in;

WHEREAS, the Central Board, has delegated signatory powers to the Member Secretary, CPCB in 196th Board meeting dated 29.03.2022, to issue directions under Section 18 (l) (b) of the Water Act and Air Act to SPCBs/PCCs.

AND, NOW THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 18(1)(b) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the SPCBs and PCCs are hereby directed to:

1. Initiate immediate necessary action ensuring that all applications for grant of consent under section 25 under Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, section 21 of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and authorization under E(P) Act, 1986, its renewal, verification, site inspection, refusal or cancellation, shall be processed and disposed of only through UCAMS portal, in all states and union territories.
2. Upon onboarding UCAMS, SPCBs/PCCs shall direct industries/ facilities under their jurisdiction to submit consent applications exclusively through UCAMS, and also issue necessary notices/circulars to industries in this regard.

The SPCBs / PCCs shall acknowledge the receipt of these directions and submit an "Action Taken Report" in compliance herewith to the CPCB within 15 days of issuance of this letter.



(Bharat Kumar Sharma)
Member secretary, CPCB

Copy to:



1. The Joint Secretary (CP Division), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi- 110001: For kind information, please.
2. All the Regional Directorates of CPCB: For necessary follow up, please



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LIST OF SPCBs and PCCs

S.No.	State / UT	Address of SPCB/PCC Office
A. List of states		
1	Assam	The Chairman, Assam Pollution Control Board, Bamunimaidan, Guwahati, Assam – 781021
2	Bihar	The Chairman, Bihar State Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, Plot No. NS-B/2, Paliputra Industrial Area, Patliputra, Patna, Bihar – 800023
3	Chhattisgarh	The Chairman, Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board, Paryavas Bhavan, North Block, Sector-19, Naya Raipur, Chhattisgarh – 492002
4	Goa	The Chairman, Goa State Pollution Control Board, Near Pilerne Industrial Estate, Opp. Saligao Seminary, Saligao-Bardez, Goa – 403511
5	Gujarat	The Chairman, Gujarat Pollution Control Board, Paryavaran Bhavan, Sector-10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat – 382043
6	Himachal Pradesh	The Chairman, Himachal Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Him Parivesh, Phase-III, Below BCS, New Shimla, Himachal Pradesh – 171009
7	Madhya Pradesh	The Chairman, Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Paryavaran Parisar, E-5, Arera Colony, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh – 462016
8	Maharashtra	The Chairman, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point, 2nd-4th Floor, Opp. Cine Planet Cinema, Near Sion Circle, Sion (East), Mumbai – 400022
9	Odisha	The Chairman, Odisha State Pollution Control Board, Paribesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakantha Nagar, Unit-VIII, Bhubaneswar – 751012, Odisha
10	Punjab	The Chairman, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Vatavaran Bhawan, Nabha Road, Patiala, Punjab – 147001
11	Rajasthan	The Chairman, Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board, 4, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jhalana Doongri, Jaipur, Rajasthan – 302004
12	Tripura	The Chairman, Tripura State Pollution Control Board, Vigyan Bhawan, Pandit Nehru Complex, Gorkhabasti, P.O. Kunjaban, Agartala, Tripura – 799006
13	Uttar Pradesh	The Chairman, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Picup Bhawan, B-Block, 4th Floor, Vibhuti Khand, Gombi Nagar, Lucknow – 226010
14	Uttarakhand	The Chairman, Uttarakhand Pollution Control Board, Gaura Devi Bhawan, 46 T Park, Sahastradhara Road, Dehradun, Uttarakhand – 248001

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15	West Bengal	The Chairman, West Bengal Pollution Control Board, Paribesh Bhavan, 10A, Block-LA, Sector-III, Bidhannagar, Kolkata – 700106
B. List of Union Territory		
1	Chandigarh	The Chairman, Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee, Paryavaran Bhawan, Ground Floor, Sector-19B, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh – 160019
2	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	The Chairman, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu Pollution Control Committee, 1st Floor, Udyog Bhavan, Bhenslore, Dunetha, Nani Daman, Daman – 396210
3	Delhi (National Capital Territory)	The Chairman, Delhi Pollution Control Committee, Government of NCT of Delhi, 4th Floor, ISBT Building, Kashmere Gate, Delhi – 110006
4	Jammu & Kashmir	The Chairman, Jammu & Kashmir Pollution Control Committee, Sheikh-ul-Alam Campus, Behind Govt. Silk Factory, Rajbagh, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir – 190008
5	Lakshadweep	The Chairman, Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Kavaratti – 682555
6	Puducherry	The Chairman, Puducherry Pollution Control Committee, Housing Board Complex, Anna Nagar, Puducherry – 605005

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