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## F. No. J-13012/38/2012-IA.II (T) Government of India Ministry of Environment & Forests

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То

M/s Jamkhandi Sugars Ltd. Hirepadasalgi, Post: Naganur,

Taluka: Jamkhandi, District: Bagalkot,

Karnataka-587301.

Sub: 27 MW Bagasse based Co-generation Power Plant of M/s. Jamkhandi Sugars Ltd. at village: NAD KD, Taluk: Indi, District: Bijapur, in Karnataka- reg. Environmental Clearance.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to your letter dated 04.10.2013, on the subject mentioned above. The Ministry of Environment & Forests has examined the application.

- The proposal is for setting up of 27 MW Bagasse based Co-generation Power Plant at village NAD KD, in Taluk Indi, in Bijapur Distt., in Karnataka. Land requirement will be 98.04 acres, which will be within the premises of proposed 3500 TCD sugar plant. Earlier EC for 2500 TCD and 15 MW Co-generation power plant was obtained from the SEIAA, Karnataka on 25.12.2009. Later expansion for sugar plant to 3500 TCD was applied at the centre along with Co-gen power plant of 27 MW (which is a Category 'A' project). While the 2500 TCD sugar plant has been constructed, it was decided to go ahead with 27 MW Co-gen power plant and the 15 MW Co-gen plant was dropped. The co-ordinates of the site will be located within Latitude 17<sup>0</sup>07'12.08" N to 17<sup>0</sup>07'37.40" N and Longitude 76<sup>0</sup>07'43" E to 76<sup>0</sup>08'03.20" E. Bagasse and agro waste requirement will be 1085 TPD and 547 TPD. The Co-generation plant will run for 260 days. Water requirement of will be 2.6 MLD, which will be sourced from Bhima River through a pipeline at a distance of about 9.0 km from the project site. M/s Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Ltd., Govt. of Karnataka has allocated 300 KLPD of water for drawl vide its letter dated 09.01.2012. There are three water bodies namely Sattanal Nadi, Dodda Nala and Bhima River within 10 km of the project site. There are no National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Heritage Sites, Tiger/Biosphere Reserves etc. within 10 km of the project site. Public Hearing was held on 18.05.2013. Cost of the project will be Rs.180 Crores.
- 3. The project has been considered in accordance with the provisions of the EIA notification issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests vide S.O. 1533 (E), dated September 14, 2006.

4. Based on the information submitted by you, as at Para 2 above and others and presentation made before the Expert Appraisal Committee (Thermal Power) in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held during October 10, 2013, by you and your consultant viz. Bhagavathi Ana Labs Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, the Ministry of Environment and Forests hereby accords environmental clearance to the above project under the provisions of EIA notification dated September 14, 2006, subject to the compliance of the following Specific and General conditions:

## A. Specific Conditions:

- i) To control the particulate emission from the boiler, ESP meeting 100 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup> shall be installed.
- ii) Bag filters shall be provided for control of fugitive emissions from the ash handling areas.
- iii) A stack of 76 m height shall be installed.
- iv) The project proponent shall undertake rain water harvesting measures and shall develop water storage for use in operation of the plant. Rain water harvesting system shall be put in place which shall comprise of rain water collection from the built up and open area in the plant premises. Action Plan for implementation shall be submitted to the Ministry.
- v) COC of 4.0 shall be adopted.
- vi) Wastewater generated from the plant shall be treated before discharge to comply limits prescribed by the SPCB.
- vii) Fly ash generated shall be provided to farmers to be used as manure or disposed of as per Fly Ash Utilization Notification, 1999 and as amended subsequently.
- viii) A minimum amount of 0.4% of the project cost as one time capital cost shall be earmarked for activities to be taken up under CSR during construction phase of the Project. Recurring expenditure for CSR thereafter shall be 1/5<sup>th</sup> of the capital cost per annum or as per CSR guidelines of Govt. of India, whichever is more till the life of the plant.
- ix) CSR schemes should address Public Hearing issues and shall be undertaken based on need assessment in and around the villages within 5 km of the site and in constant consultation with the village Panchayat and the District Administration. As part of CSR employment of local youth after imparting relevant training, as may be necessary, shall be undertaken as committed.
- x) Social Audit by a reputed University or an Institute shall be carried out periodically as per CSR guidelines of Govt. of India and details to be submitted to MOEF besides putting it on Company's website.

- xi) Green Belt consisting of 3 tiers of plantations of native species around the plant boundary comprising of atleast 33% of total land for both sugar plant and proposed thermal power plant shall be raised. The density of trees shall not be less than 2500 per Ha and rate of survival atleast 80%.
- xii) An Environmental Cell shall be created at the project site itself and shall be headed by an officer of appropriate superiority and qualification. It shall be ensured that the Head of the Cell shall directly report to the Head of the organization.

## **B.** General Conditions:

- i) No water bodies (including natural drainage system) in the area shall be disturbed due to activities associated with the setting up / operation of the power plant.
- ii) Monitoring surface water quality and quantity in the area shall also be regularly conducted and records maintained. The monitored data shall be submitted to the Ministry regularly. Further, monitoring points shall be located between the plant and drainage in the direction of flow of ground water and records maintained.
- iii) Wastewater generated from the plant shall be treated before discharge to comply limits prescribed by the SPCB/CPCB.
- iv) The treated effluents conforming to the prescribed standards only shall be re-circulated and reused within the plant. Arrangements shall be made that effluents and storm water do not get mixed.
- v) A sewage treatment plant shall be provided (as applicable) and the treated sewage shall be used for raising greenbelt/plantation. Continuous monitoring of effluent discharge shall be undertaken and it shall be ensured that when discharge enters the natural drain the temperature of effluent shall be at ambient.
- vi) A well designed rain water harvesting system shall be put in place which shall comprise of rain water collection from the built up and open area in the plant premises. Action plan for implementation shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry **within six months**.
- vii) Noise levels emanating from turbines shall be so controlled such that the noise in the work zone shall be limited to 85 dB(A) from source. For people working in the high noise area, requisite personal protective equipment like earplugs/ear muffs etc. shall be provided. Workers engaged in noisy areas such as turbine area, air compressors etc shall be periodically examined to maintain audiometric record and for treatment for any hearing loss including shifting to non noisy/less noisy areas.
- viii) Regular monitoring of ambient air ground level concentration of SO<sub>2</sub>, NOx, PM<sub>2.5</sub> & PM<sub>10</sub> and Hg shall be carried out in the impact zone and records maintained. If at any stage these levels are found to exceed the

- prescribed limits, necessary control measures shall be provided immediately. The location of the monitoring stations and frequency of monitoring shall be decided in consultation with SPCB. Periodic reports shall be submitted to the Regional Office of this Ministry. The data shall also be put on the website of the company.
- ix) Well designed acoustic enclosures for the DG sets and noise emitting equipments to achieve the desirable insertion loss viz. 25 dB(A) should be provided.
- x) Additional soil for leveling of the sites should be generated within the site (to the extent possible) in a way that natural drainage system of the area is protected and improved.
- xi) Storage facilities for auxiliary liquid fuel such as LDO/ HFO/LSHS shall be made in the plant area in consultation with Department of Explosives, Nagpur. Disaster Management Plan shall be prepared to meet any eventuality in case of an accident taking place due to storage of oil.
- xii) First Aid and sanitation arrangements shall be made for the drivers and other contract workers during construction phase.
- xiii) Provision shall be made for the housing of construction labour (as applicable) within the site with all necessary infrastructure and facilities such as fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, safe drinking water, medical health care, crèche etc. The housing may be in the form of temporary structures to be removed after the completion of the project.
- xiv) The project proponent shall also adequately contribute in the development of the neighbouring villages. Special package with implementation schedule for providing potable drinking water supply in the nearby villages and schools shall be undertaken in a time bound manner.
- xv) While identifying CSR activities it shall be ensured that need based assessment for the nearby villages within study area shall be conducted to study economic measures with action plan which can help in upliftment of poorer sections of society. Income generating projects consistent with the traditional skills of the people shall be undertaken. Development of fodder farm, fruit bearing orchards, vocational training etc. can form a part of such programme. Company shall provide separate budget for community development activities and income generating programmes. Vocational training programme for possible self employment shall be imparted to pre identified villagers free of cost.
- xvi) An Environmental Cell comprising of atleast one expert in environmental science / engineering, occupational health and social scientist, shall be created preferably at the project site itself and shall be headed by an officer of appropriate superiority and qualification. It shall be ensured that the Head of the Cell shall directly report to the head of the organization who would be accountable for implementation of environmental regulations and social impact improvement/mitigation measures.
- xvii) The project proponent shall advertise in at least two local newspapers widely circulated in the region around the project, one of which shall be in

the vernacular language of the locality concerned within seven days from the date of this clearance letter, informing that the project has been accorded environmental clearance and copies of clearance letter are available with the State Pollution Control Board/Committee and may also be seen at Website of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at <a href="http://envfor.nic.in">http://envfor.nic.in</a>.

- xviii) A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to concerned Panchayat, Zila Parisad / Municipal Corporation, urban local Body and the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions/representations, if any, received while processing the proposal. The clearance letter shall also be put on the website of the Company by the proponent.
- xix) The proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the stipulated environmental clearance conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and shall update the same periodically. It shall simultaneously be sent to the Regional Office of MOEF, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB and the SPCB. The criteria pollutant levels namely; SPM, RSPM (PM $_{2.5}$  & PM $_{10}$ ), SO $_{2}$ , NO $_{x}$  (ambient levels as well as stack emissions) shall be displayed at a convenient location near the main gate of the company in the public domain.
- xx) The environment statement for each financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March in Form-V as is mandated to be submitted by the project proponent to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently, shall also be put on the website of the company along with the status of compliance of environmental clearance conditions and shall also be sent to the respective Regional Offices of the Ministry by e-mail.
- xxi) The project proponent shall submit six monthly reports on the status of the implementation of the stipulated environmental safeguards to the Ministry of Environment and Forests, its Regional Office, Central Pollution Control Board and State Pollution Control Board. The project proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the environment of the environmental clearance conditions on their website and update the same periodically and simultaneously send the same by e-mail to the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment and Forests.
- xxii) Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment & Forests will monitor the implementation of the stipulated conditions. A complete set of documents including Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environment Management Plan along with the additional information submitted from time to time shall be forwarded to the Regional Office for their use during monitoring. Project proponent will up-load the compliance status in their website and up-date the same from time to time at least six monthly basis. Criteria pollutants levels including NO<sub>x</sub> (from stack & ambient air) shall be displayed at the main gate of the power plant.
- xxiii) Separate funds shall be allocated for implementation of environmental protection measures along with item-wise break-up. These

cost shall be included as part of the project cost. The funds earmarked for the environment protection measures shall not be diverted for other purposes and year-wise expenditure should be reported to the Ministry.

- xxiv) The project authorities shall inform the Regional Office as well as the Ministry regarding the date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the dates of start of land development work and commissioning of plant.
- xxv) Full cooperation shall be extended to the Scientists/Officers from the Ministry / Regional Office of the Ministry / CPCB/ SPCB who would be monitoring the compliance of environmental status.
- 5. The Ministry of Environment and Forests reserves the right to revoke the clearance if conditions stipulated are not implemented to the satisfaction of the Ministry. The Ministry may also impose additional environmental conditions or modify the existing ones, if necessary.
- 6. The environmental clearance accorded **shall be valid for a period of 5 years** to start operations by the power plant.
- 7. Concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 8. In case of any deviation or alteration in the project proposed including coal transportation system from those submitted to this Ministry for clearance, a fresh reference should be made to the Ministry to assess the adequacy of the condition(s) imposed and to add additional environmental protection measures required, if any.
- 9. The above stipulations would be enforced among others under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and rules there under, Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 and its amendments, the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 and its amendments.
- 10. Any appeal against this environmental clearance shall lie with the National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Saroj) Director

Copy to:

- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi 110001.
- 2. The Secretary (Environment), Forests and Environment Department Government of Karnataka.
- 3. The Chairman, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhawan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110066.
- 4. The Chairman, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Parisara Bhawan,  $4^{\rm th}$  &  $5^{\rm th}$  Floor, 49, Church Street, Bangalore 560 001.
- 5. The Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi-110032.
- 6. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Regional Office (SZ), Kendriya Sadan, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor E&F Wings 17<sup>th</sup> Main Road, 1 Block , Koranmangala, Bangalore-560 034.
- 7. The District Collector, Bijapur District, Govt. of Karnataka.
- 8. Guard file.
- 9. Monitoring file.

(Dr. Saroj)
Director