Office Order

Subject: Permission for Establishing and Operation of Life Saving Oxygen Gas Plants in the State of Uttar Pradesh

The Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board, in exercise of its powers, is ensuring the compliance of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 in the State. Whereas, it is mandatory for an industrial operation to obtain Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate for setting up and operation of the unit under the provisions of Section 25/26 of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

In the wake of Corona Virus (COVID-19) pandemic outbreak, availability of life saving oxygen gas is to be ensured in the State immediately and this would require its production on large scale at the earliest.

Now, therefore, for ensuring adequate supply of life saving oxygen gas in a shortest period and considering it as a topmost priority under the prevailing extraordinary health emergency situation, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board has taken a decision that any new/existing industrial unit in compatible land use may set up Oxygen Manufacturing Plants or undertake modifications/capacity enhancement in the existing Oxygen Gas Production capacity by making an application for Consent to Establish/Consent to Operate on "Nivesh Mitra Portal" at https://niveshmitra.up.nic.in and start manufacturing oxygen gas duly complying with the standards for Emission and Effluent as prescribed under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. Oxygen Manufacturing Plants (for medical purposes) based on Cryogenic, Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) and/or Water Electrolysis technologies, among others shall be covered under the ambit of this order. All such proposals shall be considered on priority and permission will be issued in the form of letter/Consent Certificate accordingly.

This Order is being issued in supersession of earlier order G-35354/Gen-24/Admin/2021, dated 30.04.2021 and comes into effect from the date of issue and shall be in force till 30th September, 2021 and shall be scrupulously followed by all the Officers of the Board.

Ashish Tiwari
Member Secretary

Copy to:
1. The Chairman, UPPCB, Lucknow for information please.
2. Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary, Infrastructure and Industrial Development, Medical & Health, Medical Education, Excise, State Tax Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh.
3. Principal Secretary, Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh.
4. All Chief Environment Officers/Regional Officers, UPPCB.

(Amit Chandra)
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