

**Minutes of the Meeting of Hazardous Waste Management with M/s Gujarat Enviro Protection Infrastructure P. Ltd., and Industrial Associations of Daman and Dadra & Nagar Haveli held on 01/07/2015 at 16.30 Hrs in the Conference hall, Secretariat, Silvassa.**

In response to the meeting notice No. PCC/DDD/O-2350/ICHWTSDF/05-06/274 dated 24/06/2015 the representative from M/s GEPIL, various industrial associations and representative of industrial units etc were present.

2. The list of participants present is annexed at Annexure- I:
3. At the outset the Chairman, PCC welcomed all the members and briefed the representatives of various industrial units regarding the purpose of the meeting. It was highlighted that many industries operating in Daman and Dadra & Nagar Haveli and generating hazardous waste are not complying to the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 and are not disposing off hazardous waste generated by the unit in proper and scientific manner.
4. The Member Secretary, PCC asked the representative of M/s GEPIL to make presentation on the matter so as to give a clear picture of the scenario to all the representative of industries present. Shri Dhruv Luthra, Director, M/s GEPIL made a detailed presentation on the matter which included the revenue earned by M/s GEPIL V/s expected revenue, list of industries showing various levels of compliance so far as disposal of hazardous waste at TSDF is concerned.
5. It was informed by Shri Dhruv Luthra that they have acquired 33 Acre of land and commenced operation in January 2007. The details of infrastructure setup are Secured Landfill site of 2,00,000 MT capacity built

for 15 years in 2007, Incinerator of capacity 3600 MT/Annum, Solidification & Stabilization – 900 MT/Annum, Alternate Fuel Resource – 9000 MT/Annum, Storage shed – 3 Nos. (1500 MT each), Effluent Treatment Plant. They have invested around 30.00 Crore. He further informed that at present, there are only 233 Nos. of active members against the expected 2200 members. He also presented the revenue shortfall. The total waste received during the year 2014-15 is 2527 MT. He elaborated on the waste received vis - a - visa waste projected and the huge gap in the total waste received.

6. Shri Chandrakant Parekh, President, Silvassa Industries and Manufacture Association (SIMA) raised the issue of unilateral hike in the rate of hazardous waste by M/s GEPIL, whereas it is clearly mentioned in the Memorandum of Agreement that the same is to be done by the Price Fixation Committee. The Chairman, PCC informed the gathering that the profit/loss of M/s GEPIL is not the look out of PCC. M/s GEPIL is operating in Dadra & Nagar Haveli at their own business risk. But PCC is certainly concerned about the safe and scientific disposal of the hazardous waste being generated by industries in these two territories.
7. Mr. Hitesh Solanki from M/s Kusuma Pharma appreciated the intervention by Pollution Control Committee and assured that the industries will also take necessary steps in future to comply with the condition of the authorization issued by Pollution Control Committee for the disposal of hazardous waste.
8. Though few major defaulters were called for the meeting to know regarding the reason for the non compliance, it was noted that representatives from



the following defaulting units were not present in spite of prior written intimation from the PCC.

- (i) M/s Twenty First Century Wire Rods Ltd., Silvassa.
- (ii) M/s Reliance Industries Ltd., Silvassa
- (iii) M/s Twenty First Century Wire Rods, Silvassa.
- (iv) M/s Dadra Nagar Steel P. Ltd., Silvassa.
- (v) M/s Laxmi Power Cables P. Ltd., Daman.
- (vi) M/s Kargwal Enterprises P. Ltd.

9. Shri Dharmesh Desai of M/s Supreme Treves, Daman one of the defaulting units informed that since no transport was provided by M/s GEPIL in the initial years, the hazardous waste generated could not be transported for initial 2-3 years and subsequently the unit is disposing off the hazardous waste to TSDF regularly.

10. Responding on the presentation being made by M/s GEPIL, the Chairman, PCC informed that as against 2200 Nos. industrial units that have taken authorization from PCC under the Hazardous Waste Rules, there are only 233 active members of TSDF. Shri Chandrakant Parekh of SIMA informed that all the 2200 Nos. of industries of Daman and Dadra & Nagar Haveli together may not require a membership of TSDF and few of them may be disposing off the waste to the registered recycler.

11. Most of the members present informed that the declared quantity of waste as mentioned in Form I has been done erroneously and hence needs to be revisited and corrected to which the Chairman, PCC informed that such mistakes from the authorised signatory of the industry being a responsible person are unacceptable.

12. Shri Ramesh Kundani of M/s Polycab Industries, Daman informed that the M/s GEPIL should work out the total cost for the hazardous waste to be generated before filling of Form I to which the Chairman, PCC categorically stated that the waste being generated by industries cannot be equated in terms of money and all the industries should own up the responsibility for a cleaner environment. The "Polluter Pays Principle" should be strictly followed.

13. After detailed discussion the following decisions were taken:

- (i) Pollution Control Committee to prepare of fresh list of industries generating hazardous waste within 2 weeks.
- (ii) M/s GEPIL should strictly adhere to the condition of the MoA signed with industries associations and sort out the issue regarding price fixation with industrial association.
- (iii) Notice of Direction to be issued to all the defaulting units for non compliance of the condition of the authorization issued.



(Debendra Dalai)  
Member Secretary,  
Pollution Control Committee,  
DD & DNH,  
Daman

PCC/DDD/0-2350/IC+WTSD/05.06/390

Copy to:- Dt:- 24/07/15

1. The President, Silvassa Industries Manufacture Association, Silvassa.
2. The President, DNH Industries Association, Silvassa.
3. The President, Silvassa Industries Association, Silvassa.
4. The President, Daman Industries Association, Silvassa.
5. M/s GEPIL, Sr. No. 9/1, Mota Randha, DNH.
6. Website of PCC, DD & DNH.