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## TAMIL NADU POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

**Proc No. T2/TNPCB/F.1960/CBE/HW-MT-3/2021 dated: 09.02.2021**

Sub: TNPCB - HWM - M/s. Universal Iron Traders, SF No. 223/1B, 2B, Kuppepalayam village, Annur taluk, Coimbatore district - Show cause Notice under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 issued for the violation of provisions of the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended - Regarding.

Ref: 1. Proc. No. T2/TNPCB/F.0478CBN/HWA/RS/CBN/2019 dt: 01.04.2019.  
2. Inspection of the unit on 26.12.2020 by HWM:Monitoring Team-3/CBE

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WHEREAS, you are operating a hazardous waste recycling unit in the name of M/s. Universal Iron Traders @ Plot No 45, Subaganesh Industrial Estate, Kuppepalayam Post, Coimbatore district .

WHEREAS, Authorization under Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 has been issued to your unit vide reference first cited for handling of process generated hazardous waste items 9.1 & 9.2 under Schedule-I and also permission for import of waste lead acid batteries, lead scraps, aluminium scraps, tin scraps and copper scraps under Schedule-III of the said Rule subject to compliance of certain conditions mentioned therein.

WHEREAS, during inspection of the unit on 26.12.2020 by TNPCB- HWM: Monitoring Team-3/CBE, the following violations/non compliances with respect to hazardous waste management were observed:-

1. The unit is operated intermittently using pit furnace and APC measures attached to pit furnace is in dilapidated condition (i.e non-operational stage) and the rotary furnace installed for melting & lead recovery is not in operable condition due to technical issue for more than 2 years.
2. The unit is storing the huge quantity of various metal scraps received from industries in a haphazard manner in the process area and carrying out trading activity rather than processing which against the permission granted under Consent under Water & Air Act and Authorization under HOWM Rules, 2016
3. The unit is not involved in lead processing [nil receipt of waste lead acid batteries, lead scraps as per Annual Return 2019-20] and mainly indulging in trading of various metal scraps rather than processing which is a non-compliance of additional Special Conditions (14) & [B] Special Condition (20) of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 01.04.2019
4. The unit has not maintained Form -III (Records Maintenance) and submitted Form IV (Annual Returns) for the period 2019-20 not in time to TNPCB which is a non-compliance of additional special conditions (6) & (7) of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 01.04.2019 and also violation of the Rule 6 (5) of HOWM Rules, 2016.

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5. The unit has not maintained pass book issued by TNPCB for the receipt of hazardous and other wastes for captive use and also not maintained manifest document in Form -10 for transport and disposal of process generated hazardous waste to TSDF, Gummudipoondi which is a non-compliance of [D]\_Special Conditions (4) & (10) of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 01.04.2019 and also violation of Rule 6 (7) & (19) of HOWM Rules, 2016.
6. The unit is storing the process generated hazardous waste more than 90 days within the premises without proper disposal which is a non-compliance of [B]\_Special Conditions (4) of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 01.04.2019 and also violation of Rule (8) of HOWM Rules, 2016.
7. There is a mismatching in the quantity of receipt/procurement of various metal scraps (544.47 MT) for processing, product output, process waste generated (0.2 MT) as per Annual Return in FORM-4 furnished for the period 2019-20 under HOWM Rules, 2016 w.r.t to Authorisation granted vide Proc dated 01.04.2019 which is a non-compliance of additional special condition (6) of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 18.03.2019.
8. The unit has not installed "Display Board" with information of hazardous chemicals/wastes, air emission, effluent quality etc at the factory entrance which is non-compliance of the directions of the Hon'ble NGT(PB), New Delhi dated 26.08.2019 & 07.07.2020 in the OA No.804/2017.
9. The unit has not followed guidelines prescribed by CPCB for recycling of hazardous wastes under Schedule IV of HOWM Rules, 2016 for secondary metallurgical processing industry.
10. The unit has not furnished analysis report of process generated waste type of various metal wastes receipt to TNPCB which is a non-compliance of additional special condition (14) of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 01.04.2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the above facts and in exercise of the powers delegated to TNPCB, under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act 1986, you are hereby directed to show cause why financial penalty shall not be levied as per Rule 23(2) of HOWM Rules, 2016 for the violations committed by the unit as mentioned above and on the non-compliance of special conditions of Authorization granted under HOWM Rules, 2016 vide Proc dt: 01.04.2019. A reply to the show cause notice shall be furnished so as to reach to this office within 15 days from the date of receipt of this notice, failing which TNPCB will be constrained to initiate legal action as deemed necessary and appropriate in the circumstances under the Environment (Protection) Act 1986, as amended.

The receipt of the proceedings shall be acknowledged.

  
For Chairman

To  
The Proprietor,  
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