

# HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD C-11, SECTOR-6, PANCHKULA

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No. HSPCB/WC/2025

To

All Regional Officers, HSPCB

Sub:- Minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Environment Minister, Govt. of Haryana on 10.09.2025 at 11:00 AM in his room in HCS, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Sector-1, Chandigarh regarding control of Pollution in river Yamuna in compliance of order in OA No. 673 of 2018 (More river Stretches are critically polluted now: CPCB).

Please refer to the subject noted above.

In this connection, I have been directed to enclose herewith the copy of minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Environment Minister, Govt. of Haryana for information and necessary action please.

DA/ As above

Sr. Env. Engineer (HQ) For Member Secretary

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information please:-

- 1. MD, HSIIDC, Panchkula
- 2. CEE-I and II
- 3. All SEEs

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The list of the participants is as per **Annexure-1** 

At the outset, Member Secretary, HSPCB welcomed all the officers present in the meeting and apprised that in order to monitor the various activities to be implemented to control pollution in river Yamuna, River Rejuvenation Committee (RRC) consisting of MS, HSPCB and Directors of Environment, ULB and industries department and Special Environment Surveillance Task Force (SESTF) consisting of nominees of DC, SP, RO and District Judge have been constituted. At State level review meetings are being taken on monthly basis by Chief Secretary, Haryana and on quarterly basis at the level of MOJS by Secretary, GOI.

Thereafter, HSPCB gave presentation on Status of Pollution Control in river stretches of Yamuna and detailed discussion on various points was held. The proceeding are mentioned is coming para:-.

# 1. Pollution level in terms of BOD (mg/l) in drains of river Yamuna.

HSPCB informed that 11 drains, falling into river Yamuna, are being monitored on monthly basis and water quality of the drains mainly Ditch drain/Dhanaura escape, drain no. 06, Mungeshpur drain, leg I, leg II, leg III (Badashapur Drain), Budhiya Nala has been found at alarming stage. Hon'ble Minister took a serious note on the water quality of these drains and decided as under.

The Regional officers Yamuna Nagar, Sonipat, Bahadurgarh, Gurugram North and Faridabad shall take all possible steps to bring down BOD level in Ditch drain/Dhanaura escape, drain no. 06, Mungeshpur drain, leg I, leg II, leg III (Badashapur Drain), Budhiya Nala and there shall be appreciable down fall in the values of BOD in all these drains. Further, all the Regional Officers of concerned area shall monitor the water quality of these drains from October 02 to October 08, 2025 and analysis results may be made available within 10 days.

# 2. Industrial effluent management

It was informed that during the monitoring of effluent treatment plants of 8287 industries in the last 02 year by the Board, 828 industries were found violating the norms and environment compensation was imposed upon them. The prosecutions have been filled against 67 units.

After detailed discussion, it was decided that all the Regional Officers shall keep strong surveillance on the functioning of ETPs of the industries and stern action in terms of imposition of EC, closure and prosecution be taken against the violating industries

### 3. Installation of proposed common effluent treatment plants (CETPs)

MD, HSSIDC submitted that 08 CEPTs of capacity 146 MLD have been proposed. For 3CETPS of capacity 50, 25 and 15 MLD at Partapgarh, Mirzapur and

Badshahpur, Faridabad are to be setup by HSIIDC and funds for the same are to be arranged by FMDA. MD, HSIIDC informed that for 1.5 MLD CEPT to be setup sector-18 Gurugram, 09 MLD CETP to be setup in industrial area sector -37 Gurugram, 06 MLD CETP to be setup at Kundali Sonipat, no land is available. 19.5 MLD CETP at Parwaloo, Yamuna Nagar is under construction and for 20 MLD CETP to be setup at sector 34, Gurugram land is available and it is likely to be completed within 02 years.

Detailed discussion on the issue was held and it was decided as under:-

i. HSIIDC shall resolve the land issues for 1.5 MLD, 09 MLD and 06 MLD CETPs at the earliest and tendering process for installation of 20 MLD CETP may be started immediately so that same may be completed within one and half year.

## 4. Major issues concerning to pollution in river Yamuna

It was submitted as under:-

- i. Some of the industries are discharging untreated effluent into sewers or through tankers into drains leading to river Yamuna.
- ii. Industries either have not installed OMD or there is manipulation in OMD data or some OMDs are offline, resulting in non compliance of the discharge standards prescribed by the HSPCB.
- iii. The STPs and CETPs may not have been designed properly. The adequacy needs to be examined. In the past, these exercise was done by concerned department themselves and inspite of this, the situation has not improved.
- iv. If, there is a need to get adequacy of STP/CETP checked by HSPCB.
- v. There is no report that SOPs prepared by the executive departments are being followed by the executing officers of departments, which may result into inadequate functioning of STPs/ CETPs, if not followed.
- vi. About 6 Lakh household connection are yet to be made with sewer lines, which is one of the major sources of pollution in river.
- vii. The private residential colonies might not operating their STPs and re-using treated sewage as per their mandate given in Environmental clearance Certificates.
- viii. Some of the industries are located in non conforming areas in Yamuna nagar, Sonipat, Panipat, Bahdurgarh and Faridabad and proper treatment may not be imparted to the effluent generated by these industries and untreated/ partial treated effluent of these industries might discharge into sewerage system which is adversely affecting the effectiveness of STPs
- ix. Solid waste generated by the MCs/ village Panchayat is dumped into drains or on the banks of the drains which also cause water pollution in the rivers.
- x. The quantity of sludge generated by the industries/ STPs are not assessed properly and in some cases insignificant quantity of sludge is mentioned by the Regional Officers.

The data given so far for STPs indicate that proper data of sludge quantity which are pollutants present quantity in water/ sewage and is a direct measure of treatment being done to sewage/ effluent is not being maintained at all or not properly. In the absence, it can't be ruled out that "STP is not being operated".

After the presentation Hon'ble Environment Minister interacted with individual officers and the proceedings are as under:-

# **RO Panipat**

RO informed that he had met the District Judge for expeditious disposal of prosecution cases but positive response not received. It was discussed that the issue of Environmental Violations is equally important and there is a great need to sensitize the society against Environmental violations. The expeditious disposal for next 2-3 years can play a great role in this regard.

RO further informed that industries in industrial area are disposing trade effluent in storm water drain. He assured that he shall take punitive and preventive action. He was advised to control industrial pollution.

## **RO** Faridabad

AEE Faridabad informed thy have identified tapping points wherefrom the untreated effluent shall be tapped and taken to existing STPs for treatment, Hon'ble EM directed to submit water quality of canal near village Hajipur. It was observed that water quality of Budiya Nala was also deteriorated over the years.

## **RO Yamuna Nagar**

RO informed that the Ballarpur Paper Mill has restarted operation after many years and Saraswati Sugar Mill is a seasonal unit. Besides these, 851 units of metal industries have individual ETPs and mostly discharge into a drain. The PHED has started construction of a 19.5 MLD CETP to treat effluent of this drain. The STP of 77 MLD is also being set up to treat the balance 66 MLD sewage generated in twin town of Yamuna Nagar/Jagadhri. He was advised to check the industries so that they discharge only treated effluent and dispose Hazardous Sludge as per rules.

#### **RO Bahadurgarh**

RO informed that he had closed illegal industries operating in the region. Besides, new points where polluted effluent is being released, the concerned department are being directed to submit action plan. He was advised to control the industrial pollution

## **RO Sonepat**

RO informed that a STP of 30 MLD has been proposed to treat the sewage. He was asked about very high BOD of 120 MLD in drain no. 6. He countered that the BOD is not upto such a high level. He was asked to arrange to make an action plan to make Drain No. 6 pollution free irrespective of present level of pollution. Further, on issue of offline units, RO averred those units have "Connectivity of data" issues. The units do not know as to whom they should meet for rectification of connectivity issues. Sh. Nitin Mehta, IT Cell in-charge denied these points and informed that there is no such issue. RO Sonepat was advised to talk to units in this matter and ensure their compliances.

#### **RO Bahadurgarh**

RO informed that he had closed illegal industries operating in the region. Besides, this new points where polluted effluent is being released, have been identified. The concerned departments are being directed to submit action plan. He was advised to control the industrial pollution.

- i. All Regional Officers shall talk to industries, which have not installed OMD or there is manipulation in OMD data or where OMDs are lying offline and pursue them to rectify the system within 15 days if the industry still not comply then it be informed to Head office immediately.
- ii. All the Regional Officers shall ensure that SOP prepared by the departments for operation of STPs/CETPs are being properly implemented at site. The report of HODs be sought by HSPCB
- iii. All Regional Officers shall pursue the concerned department to give sewer connections to the households, which have not taken the sewer connection and report in this regard be submitted to HSPCB, Headquarter.
- iv. All the Regional Officers shall verify the quantity of the sludge generated from effluent/sewage treatment plants based on the processes of treatment of wastewater namely aerobic biological treatment system or anaerobic biological treatment system or physico-chemical treatment or zero liquid discharge technology or any other technology used by the industry for the treatment of wastewater.
- v. Some of the officers/officials of the Board do not maintain office timings. The HSPCB shall check attendance daily for this purpose be called on landline
- vi. There is a lengthy and less stringent prosecution measure, which may result into the regular practice of the industries/projects owners for gross violation of the provisions of the environmental laws and rules. All the Regional Officers shall visit the office of District Session Judge of concerned district and requested may be made for giving direction to the other judges for early hearing till the accused are summoned and disposal of the prosecution cases pending for more than 2/3 years on urgent basis. So that a deterrent massage can spread in society.
- vii. Monthly review meeting on cleaning of the river Yamuna shall be held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Environment of Haryana.
- viii. The analysis of samples to be done with utmost care by the analysts of HSPCB
- ix. The CER fund to be got utilized with due care by the HSPCB
- x. Member Secretary along SESTF shall make visits of units/industries
- xi. The failure of ROs shall be mentioned in their ACRs.
- xii. The ROs shall make endeavor to stop use of polythene/ prohibited plastic items.
- xiii. The adequacy study of STPs/CETPs shall be get conducted by HSPCB from EC funds from reputed organizations for some STPs/CETPs.
- xiv. The solid waste already littered is causing pollution and many times put on fire. The respective department who own the concerned land is to get the waste lifted and handed over to waste disposal sites otherwise it will keep on polluting the environment. The Irrigation Department/Forest Department/NHAI/PWD be asked to perform exercise for their areas and also set up preventive mechanism so that waste is not littered the toll collecting agencies be directed to lift the waste from road sides.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chairman of the meeting and other participants.

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1.	Sh. Yash Garg, IAS, MD, HSIIDC, Panchkula
2.	Sh. Pardeep Kumar, IAS, Member Secretary, HSPCB, Panchkula
3.	Sh. Bhupender Rinwa, CEE, HSPCB
4.	Sh. Balraj Singh, CEE, HSPCB
5.	Sh. Satinder Pal, SEE, HSPCB
6.	Sh. Jatinder Pal, SEE, HSPCB
7.	Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, SEE, HSPCB
8.	Sh. Naveen Gulia, SEE, HSPCB
9.	Sh. Kuldeep Singh, SEE, HSPCB
10.	Sh. Nirmal Kashyap, RO, Sonepat
11.	Sh. Krishan Kumar, RO, Gurugram South
12.	Ms. Akansha, RO Gurugram North & Nuh
13.	Sh. Harish Kumar, RO, Ballabgarh
14.	Sh. Dinesh Kumar, RO, Rohtak
15.	Sh. Nipun Gupta, RO, Rewari
16.	Sh. Kamaljit Singh, RO, Karnal
17.	Sh. Bhupender Chahal, RO, Panipat
18.	Sh. Nitin Mehta, RO, Kurukshetra
19.	Sh. Shalender Arora, RO, Bahadurgarh
20.	Sh. Jatin Barwale, AEE, Faridabad
21.	Sh. Pardeep, RO, Yamuna Nagar
22.	Sh. Sidharth, RO, Palwal