

**MINUTES OF THE 78<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE GOA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD HELD ON 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY, 2007 AT 3.30 pm, IN THE BOARDS CONFERNECE HALL, PANAJI.**

I. The 78<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Goa State Pollution Control Board was held in the Conference hall of the Goa State Pollution Control Board on 21/02/2007 at 3.30 pm.

The following members attended the meeting :-

1.	Dr. L.U. Joshi, Chairman
2.	Shri J.B. Bhingui, Director of Mines and Geology
3.	Shri Joseph D'Souza, Scientist (Remote Sensing) S.T.E
4.	Shri Tulio D'Souza, President, Goa Assocn. of Architects
5.	Shri Nitin Kunkolienkar, President, Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry
6.	Shri Keshav Kamat, Rep. of Goa Small Ind. Assocn
7.	Shri A.V. Palekar, Managing Director, Goa Indl. Dev. Corpn
8.	Shri Ashok Daiwajna, Member Secretary
9.	Shri S.M.Paranjpe, Chief Inspectorate of Factories and Boilers
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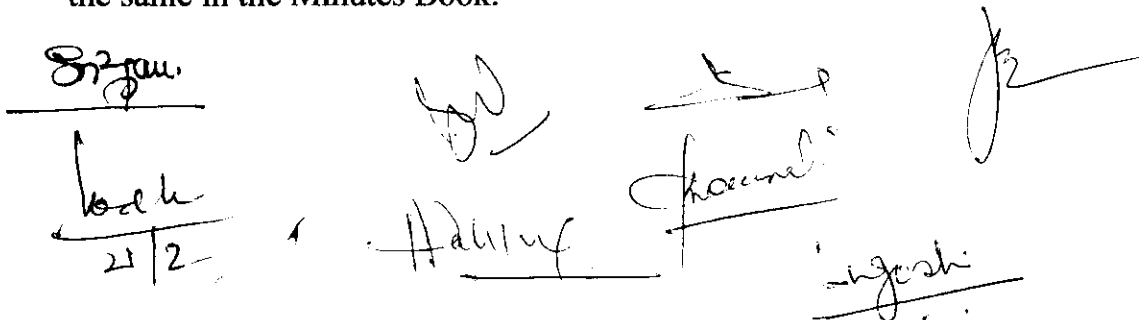
The following members did not attend the meeting:

Mrs. Ruth Furtado, Councilor, Corpn. of the City of Panaji, Dr. Arvind Salelkar, Director of Health Services, Shri J.S.S. Rego, Chief Engineer – II, PWD, Mrs. Piedade Noronha, Councilor, Margao Mun. Council, Mrs. Carmeline Menezes, Sarpanch Village Panchayat Guirim, Shri Sanjit Rodrigues, Managing Director, Goa Tourism Dev. Corpn., Shri Sagun Wadkar, Panch, Village Panchayat Pissurlem, Mrs. Elsie Lobo, Sarpanch, Village Panchayat, Parra

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1**

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 77<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD.**

The Chairman stated that minutes of the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board have to be confirmed. As recorded in the agenda notes the minutes of the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated to the members vide office letter no. 4/77/07-PCB/4670 dated 01/02/07. The members approved the same so as to enter the same in the Minutes Book.

  
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**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2**

**FOLLOW UP ACTION ON THE DECISION TAKEN AT THE 77<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD.**

Agenda Item no. 3

The Board has forwarded a draft copy of the Notification to the Director, Science, Technology and Environment for necessary action.

Agenda Item no. 4

The matter is placed before the Board for reconsideration with reduction in the number of post created

Agenda Item no. 5

The proposal has been forwarded to the Directorate of Accounts for concurrence and the same is awaited.

Agenda Item no. 6

Once the concurrence from the Directorate of Accounts for up gradation of Shri Diukar, Accountant of the Board to the post of Asst Accounts officer, proposal will be forwarded to the Directorate of Accounts for deputation of Accountant to the Board.

Agenda Item no. 7

Order will be issued shortly.

Agenda Item no. 8

Proposal will be forwarded to the Director, Department of Science Technology and Environment.

Agenda Item no. 9

The orders have been issued to the Junior Environmental Engineers for up gradation of scales.

Agenda Item no. 10

Mobile handsets have been purchased and the same are handed over to the staff.

Agenda Item No 12

The proposal has been forwarded to the Director of Department of Science Technology and Environment.

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**Agenda Item No 13**

The draft Annual Report is under printing and the same will be placed before Legislative Assembly in the forthcoming session.

**Agenda Item No 14**

One Sony Handycam has been purchased and laptop, computers will be purchased once the rate contract is finalized by the Information Technology Dept.

**Agenda Item No 18**

Proposal for Enhancement in the Contractual Remuneration of the Chairman has been forwarded to the Government for issue of Notification

**Agenda Item No 19**

The proposal has been forwarded to the Director of Department of Science Technology and Environment for Notification.

Shri Keshav Kamat inquired regarding the present status of the proposal for Enhancement in the Contractual Remuneration of the Chairman. It was informed by the Member Secretary that the Board has not received any communication from the Government with regards to the same. Shri Nitin Kuncoliekar, President GCCI stated that as the Board is a Statutory Authority and bear all its expenses through its own funds there should be no delay in approving the proposal. Shri Nitin Kuncoliekar further stated that enhancement in the Contractual Remuneration of the Chairman has been proposed since there has no increment in the same for the past three years. He also stated that as per the Water ( Prevention & Control of Pollution) Rules the Chairman shall be paid pay that is recommended by the Board and approved by the Government. Shri A.V.Palekar stated that a copy of the proposal forwarded to the Secretary should be sent to the Hon Minister for Environment.

It was unanimously resolved by the Board members to forward the proposal for enhancement of Contractual remuneration of the Chairman to the Hon Minister for Environment for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 3**

**Issue of Closure directions to the Industries / Hotels**

**1. M/s GKB Vision Ltd, Pilerne Industrial Estate**

The Chairman informed the members that the Board had in its 77<sup>th</sup> meeting deferred the decision regarding issue of closure directions to the

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units of M/s GKB Vision Ltd. Chairman further informed that M/s GKB Vision Ltd vide their letter dtd 16<sup>th</sup> February,2007 informed the Board that they are in the process of upgrading their Effluent treatment plant. Shri Keshav Kamat proposed that a suitable bank guarantee may be imposed.

The members decided to impose a Bank guarantee amounting to Rs one lakh to the unit for up gradation of their Effluent treatment plant for a period of 3 months.

**2. M/s Sandu Pharmecuticals Ltd**

The Chairman informed the members that the Board had in its 77<sup>th</sup> meeting deferred the decision regarding issue of closure directions to the units of M/s Sandu Pharmaceuticals Ltd. Chairman further informed that M/s Sandu Pharmaceuticals Ltd vide their letter dtd 15<sup>th</sup> February,2007 informed the Board that they are in the process of installing a Effluent treatment plant.

The members decided to impose a Bank guarantee of Rs One lakh to the unit for installation of their Effluent treatment plant for a period of 3 months

**3. M/s Highland Holiday Homes Pvt Ltd**

The Chairman informed the members as follows:-

The unit was issued show cause notice for not installing a Sewage treatment plant and directed to submit a Bank guarantee for the same and the Bank guarantee has lapsed. The unit has not yet installed a Sewage Treatment Plant. The unit was directed to deposit a fine of Rs 15,000 ( Rupees fifteen thousand only) and a fresh guarantee of 15,000/- on 05/01/07. However the unit has not replied to the letter.

The members decided to issue a Show cause notice with 15 days time period. If the unit fails to respond closure directions may be issued to the unit .

**4. M/s Launder Aids, Verna Industrial Estate.**

The Chairman informed the members that the unit was issued show cause notice. The unit in is reply stated that they will repair their Effluent treatment plant . However on inspection on 19/02/07 it was found by the

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Board officials that unit continues to discharge untreated effluent outside their premises.

The members decided to give 15 days time to comply and respond and if the unit fails the unit may be issued closure directions .

**5. M/s Grovemark, Verna Indl Estate**

The Chairman informed the members that unit is operating without the Consent of the Board. A show cause notice has been issued to the unit. The unit has not replied to the Show cause notice. The unit has recently carried out expansion and is nearing completion.

The members decided to defer the item till the next meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM NO 4**

**Application for Consent to Operate under Water and Air Act of M/s G.N.Agarwal for their Jetty at Bagwada Curchorem.**

The Chairman informed the members as follows:-

The Board had received complaint from the residents of the Bagwada regarding air pollution caused due to the activities of M/s G.N.Agarwal of loading and unloading of ore. The jetty was inspected by the Board officials and it was noticed that the jetty is in the close vicinity of the residential houses, primary school and temple.

M/s G.N.Agarwal has submitted application for Consent to Operate under the Water and Air Act to the Board for operation of the Jetty. The jetty has been issued closure directions by the Curchorem Cacora Municipal Council. The matter is before the Hon High Court and the Hon High Court has directed the Board to decide on the application based on the inspection report dated 26/04/06 . In the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting it was decided to carry out ambient air quality monitoring and noise monitoring before arriving at any decision. However the Municipal Council has already issued closure directions to the unit and monitoring could not be carried out.

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The members took cognizance of the fact that the jetty is operational for last 20 years and decided that the unit should be temporarily allowed to operate for a period of one month and ambient air quality monitoring and noise monitoring should be carried out by the Board, upon compliance of the following by the applicant

1. The applicant should construct a barricade of GI Sheets / Asbestos sheet along its boundary upto a height of 10 mts.
2. The applicant should install high mast sprinklers to control dust pollution.
3. The applicant should ensure that the ore stack height should not exceed 8 meters in height.
4. The applicant should ensure that the approach road is tarred and the roads should be sprinkled with water.
5. The trucks carrying ore should be covered with tarpaulin.

Further decision on the application should be taken only on receipt of the monitoring reports

#### AGENDA ITEM NO 5

#### **Consent to establish applications of M/s Nicomet Industries Ltd for 3 stage Sodium Sulphate Evaporation plant & Disposable cake / stabilization plant.**

The Chairman informed that the unit had submitted two applications for installation of stage Sodium Sulphate Evaporation plant & for Disposable cake / stabilization plant to the Board. The evaporation system is for treatment of effluent generated from the unit and the stabilization plant is for stabilization of the cake prior to disposal in the Treatment Storage Disposal site.

The members decided to issue Consent to Establish for the Installation of Sodium Sulphate Evaporation plant as the same is for treatment of effluent generated from the unit and also decided to approve the proposal for Disposable cake / stabilization plant subject to approval from NEERI for the same.

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AGENDA ITEM NO 6

**Application of M/s Sunrise Zinc Ltd for temporary containment site for Hazardous waste.**

The Chairman informed the members that the unit has submitted an application to the Board for temporary containment of hazardous waste presently dumped outside their premises in the cell constructed within their premises. The proposed temporary site has been inspected by the Board officials. It can be inferred from the inspection reports infers that the unit has taken sufficient precautions for temporary containment.

The members decided to issue a letter conveying the approval of the Board for the same.

AGENDA ITEM NO 7

**Creation of post in the Board as per the directions of the Hon High Court.**

The Chairman informed that the Hon High Court has directed the Board to recruit necessary staff for effective monitoring of Industries in the State. The present sanctioned staff is insufficient to carry out the inspection and analysis work. The Board is also opening a Regional Office at Verna.

The members decided to approve the creation of the following post in the Board on regular basis and until the approval of the Government is obtained the post should be recruited on contract basis for one year

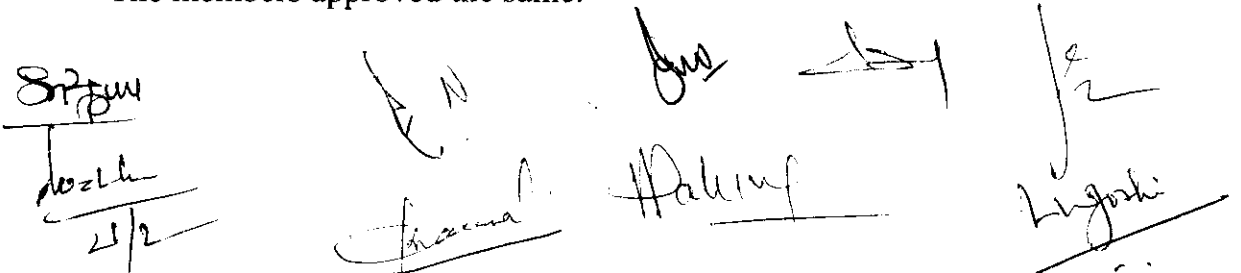
1. One post of Scientist "B" ( Chemistry)
2. One post of Scientific Assistant ( Microbiology)
3. Three post of Senior Laboratory Assistants
4. One post of Lower Division Clerk
5. One post of Peon
6. One post of Laboratory Attendant

AGENDA ITEM NO 8

**Amendment in the Recruitment Rules**

The Chairman informed that the Recruitment Rules for the Lower Division Clerk requires to be amended by deleting the condition for typing test as the Board does not have type writers.

The members approved the same.

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AGENDA ITEM NO 9

**Proposal to Auction the old Mobile Laboratory and purchase of new Tempo Traveler to establish a second Mobile Laboratory.**

The Chairman informed the members that the Old Mobile Laboratory of the Board was purchased in 1997 and the Board has recently procured one Mobile Laboratory with the funds provided from the Ministry of Environment and Forest. One more Mobile Laboratory is required for effective monitoring Industries.

The Chairman further informed that since an additional expenditure of Rs 5 Lakhs will have to be incurred for modifying the old vehicle.

The members decided to auction the old tempo traveler and purchase a new tempo traveler for mobile laboratory at an approximate cost of Rupees 12 Lakhs i.e approximately 7 Lakhs for the Vehicle and 5 Lakhs for the modification.

AGENDA ITEM NO 10

**Imposing Bank Guarantee on M/s McDowell & Co Ltd and M/s United Breweries Ltd.**

The Chairman informed the members that the Board had received a complaint from Shri Madhav Sahakari regarding discharge of untreated effluent into the nallah by M/s McDowell & Co Ltd and M/s United Breweries Ltd. The complaint was also referred to the Board by the Chief Secretary, Govt of Goa with instruction to take action as per law. The unit was inspected by the Member Secretary, GSPCB, Consultant, GSPCB and other officials of the Board. It is inferred from the inspection report up gradation of the Effluent treatment system is required to comply with the condition stipulated in the Consent issued by the Board.

The members decided to issue Show cause Notice and on the Board should also impose a Bank guarantee of Rs 5 Lakhs on the unit for complying with the conditions specified in the Consent within 3 months and also achieving zero discharge as per Charter of Corporate Responsibility for Protection of Environment within a period of six months.

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AGENDA NO 11

**Issue of directions to Goa Industrial Development Corporation and Verna Industrial Estate Association for removal of garbage disposed in Verna Industrial Estate.**

The Chairman informed the members that the Board had received a complaint regarding disposal of Industrial Garbage in the nallah behind IDC, Office at Verna Industrial Estate as well as in other locations in Verna.

The members decided that directions should be issued to Goa Industrial Development Corporation to ensure that the Industries dispose the garbage in environmental friendly manner.

**Table Item 1.**

**Issue of letter to M/s D-Link regarding Ambient air quality monitoring.**

The Chairman informed the members that M/s D-Link had submitted an letter seeking clarification whether the unit requires to carry out ambient air quality monitoring since it is an IT Industry . The unit is not installed an air emission generating equipments. Shri Nitn Kuncloiekar, President abstained from the discussion.

The members deiced to issue a letter stating that since the unit is not having any equipments releasing emission in the air the unit is not required to carry out ambient air quality monitoring.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

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