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CIRCULAR

Sub : Imposing 12% Interest on late payment of Joint Vigilance Samples (JVS) by stakeholders.

Ref: Minutes of 184 Board Meeting held on 10/3/2025.

Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) is granting Combined Consent/s under the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and Authorization under Rule 6 of the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016, by stipulating certain terms & conditions for prevention & control of pollution in the state of Maharashtra.

The Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) has a mechanism to monitor Industries, CETPs, Local Bodies (STPs), Infrastructure Projects and Healthcare Establishments (HCEs) etc., by way of Joint Vigilance Sampling of air, water, hazardous waste, and noise to ensure the compliance of consent conditions, for which the Board has imposed JVS charges. However, it has been observed that there are significant outstanding dues from Industries, CETPs, Local Bodies (STPs), and Healthcare Establishments (HCEs) etc., for JVS (Joint Vigilance Sampling) charges.

The timely collection of JVS charges is crucial for MPCB to sustain environmental surveillance, sampling, and analysis. Despite multiple reminders, several units have delayed payments, leading to an increasing outstanding balance. Imposing an interest penalty on delayed payments will deter defaulters and enhance compliance.

To ensure timely payment and financial discipline, it is proposed to impose a 12% interest per annum (1% per month) on late payments for JVS charges with immediate effect, which shall be made applicable for all outstanding payments as on date. This measure will ensuring better financial management for MPCB's environmental monitoring mechanism.

Maharashtra Pollution Control Board in its 184 th Board meeting held on 10/3/2025, has decided to impose 12% annual interest (1% per month) on outstanding JVS payment exceeding the due date as a penalty on Industries, CETPs, Local Bodies (STPs), Infrastructure projects and Healthcare Establishments (HCEs), all units which

are under consent regime, etc., for non-submission of Joint vigilance sampling charges within prescribed time limit imposed by the Board.

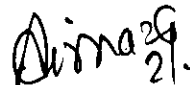
Accordingly, Industry shall pay the charges within 15 days from communication of analysis charges failing which 12% interest annual interest (1% per month) will be imposed from the due date of outstanding JVS on Industries, CETPs, Local Bodies (STPs), Infrastructure projects and Healthcare Establishments (HCEs), all units which are under consent regime, etc., for non-submission of Joint vigilance sampling charges within prescribed time limit imposed by the Board.

This circular will come into force with immediate effect & accordingly the days to impose 12% interest for non-submission of JVS Interest charges will be calculated from the due date.

This circular is applicable to all pending JVS outstanding from due date.

The 12% interest amount to be paid by PP through online e-payment gateway only.

All the Officers of the Board should implement this circular scrupulously without fail.


(Dr Avinash Dhakne, IAS)
Member Secretary

Copy submitted to : The Hon'ble Chairman, MPC Board Mumbai - for favour of information.

Copy to:

1. All HODS, MPC Board Mumbai. - For information & necessary action

Copy to:

- 1. All Regional Officer, MPC Board - They are directed to submit quarterly report on outstanding JVS payments and Interest collections and ensure that the above shall be brought to the notice of all Industrial Associations in their jurisdiction & give wide publicity.**
- 2. All Sub-Regional Officer, MPC Board - They are directed to ensure that the above shall be brought to the notice of all Industrial Associations in their jurisdiction & give wide publicity.**
- 3. SO/EIC - He is directed to host the circular on Board's website.**