

**PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**  
 Vatavaran Bhawan, Nabha Road, Patiala

**OFFICE ORDER**

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**Sub: Revised categorization of industries in view of directions issued by the Central Pollution Control Board under the section 18(1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 – Approved by the Board – Order issued.**

The Punjab Pollution Control Board in its 145<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30.11.2009 & 146<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 12.1.2010 considered the matter to frame policy guidelines regarding categorization of industries and procedure not only for the purpose of location but also for the purpose of consent management and formulation of norms related to inspection for various categories of industries and categorized the industries into Red, Orange & Green categories vide office order no. GPC/NIP/F-10/2010/4/ dtd.17.02.2010. The industries which are not covered under the list of Red, Orange & Green categories were placed in the list of exempted categories.

Subsequently, in order to Harmonize the "Criteria of categorization" of industries, CPCB vide its letter no. B-29012/1/2012/ESS/1546 dtd. 4.6.2012 issued directions u/s 18(i)(b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 to the State Boards to revise the list of Red, Orange & Green category of industries based on the criteria specified in the report & to submit the same to CPCB.

The Board modified some categories of the industries according to their pollution potential as per the requirement of the State & the final list of industries as Red, Orange & Green along with exempted categories was sent to CPCB vide Boards letter no. 5355 dtd. 5.2.2013 for information. This list was also got published in the industrial policy 2013 of the State Govt. as well as in the policy document of the Board in April, 2013.

Now, the CPCB vide letter No. B-29012/ESS/2015-16/8584, dated 7/3/2016 has issued directions to all the State Pollution Control Boards / Pollution Control Committees under section 18(1) (b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 regarding harmonization of classification of industrial sectors under Red / Orange / Green / White Categories. In the directions, the CPCB has mentioned interalia as follows:-

