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To

The Chief Executive Officer
M/s. Jawahar Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd.
Shri Kallappa Anna Awadenagar, Hupari-Yalgud
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Maharashtra- 416 203

Sub: Expansion of Sugar unit capacity from 7500 TCD to 12000 TCD at Hupari Yalgud, Tehsil Hathkanangale, District Kolhapur, Maharashtra by M/s. Jawahar Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. -Environmental Clearance- reg.

Ref: Online Proposal No. IA/MH/IND2/38479/2014 dated 06th January, 2016.

Sir,

This has reference to your online proposal no. IA/MH/IND2/38479/2014 dated 06th January, 2016 along with project documents including Form I, Terms of References, Pre-feasibility Report, EIA/EMP Report along with Public Hearing Report regarding the above mentioned project.

2. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has examined the application. It is noted that the proposal is for expansion of sugar unit capacity from 7500 TCD to 12000 TCD at Hupari Yalgud, Tehsil Hathkanangale, District Kolhapur, Maharashtra by M/s. Jawahar Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. As informed by the Project Proponent (PP) and as per the documents submitted by the PP, the total plot area is 3,94,237.058 m², out of which area earmarked for greenbelt is 3,30,000 m². It is reported that no national park/wildlife sanctuary/coral formation is located within 10 km distance of the plant. River Doodhganga is flowing at a distance of 6 Km. The total project cost is Rs.74.50 Crores, out of which 200.95 Lakhs are earmarked towards CSR activity.

3. The project proposal was initially considered by the Maharashtra State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) in its meeting held on 01st August, 2014 and had approved ToR for preparation of EIA. As the project is located within 5 km distance of interstate boundary; SEAC-1 in its 114th meeting held on 19th - 21st November, 2015 has categorized

the project as Category 'A' and desired to be appraised by Central EAC. The Member Secretary (SEAC-1) vide letter No. SEAC-2014/CR-45/TC-2 dated 08th January, 2016 has transferred the project to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi.

4. All Sugar industry are listed at S.N. 5(j) (ii) of Schedule of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification under category 'B'. The present proposal is located within 5 km distance of interstate boundary of Maharashtra and Karnataka. Due to the applicability of general condition i.e. located in whole or in part within 10 km from the inter-State boundaries; the proposal is treated as Category 'A' and are appraised at Central Level by Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC).

5. The project proposal was subsequently considered by the Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry -2) in its 6th meeting held during 30th March- 02nd April, 2016 and 13th meeting held during 26th-27th September, 2016. The project proponent and their consultant M/s Green Circle, Vadodara (accreditation case sub-judice) gave a detailed presentation on the salient features of the project and proposed environmental protection measures to be undertaken as per Terms of References (TORs) awarded by SEAC, Maharashtra for preparation of EIA-EMP report.

6. The PP has obtained environmental clearance (EC) for the existing Sugar unit (7500 TCD) from the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) vide Environment Department, Government of Maharashtra letter no. ENV(NOC)2005/1591/CR224/TC-II dated 27th August, 2007. Regional Office of MoEF&CC at Nagpur, vide letter no. EC-41/RON/2016-NGP/691 dated 21.07.2016 has submitted the copy of certified compliance report to the environmental conditions prescribed in the existing EC. The EAC has found compliance report to be satisfactory.

7. Public Hearing for the proposed project has been conducted by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board on 10.07.2015. The EAC has deliberated upon the issues raised during the public hearing and noted that the issues have satisfactorily been incorporated in the final EIA-EMP report.

8. The EAC, in its 13th meeting held during 26th-27th September, 2016, has found that the final EIA/EMP report submitted by the PP is adequate. The EAC after detailed deliberations, on the basis of the information and presentation made by the PP, has recommended the project for environmental clearance with certain conditions.

9. Based on the proposal and information submitted by the Project Proponent, and based on the recommendation by the Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry-2), the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby accords Environmental Clearance to the above project under the provisions of EIA Notification dated 14th September 2006, subject to the compliance of the following Specific and General Conditions:

A. Specific Conditions:

- i. ESP/Bagfilter shall be provided to the bagasse fired boiler (20 TPH; 75 TPH and 90 TPH) to control particulate emissions within permissible limit. The gaseous



