

**F.No.13/10/2020-HSMD**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**  
**(HSM Division)**

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Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

**Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 1,380 kg (40 flasks) mercury from Japan to India by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to your application dated 23.10.2023 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) to import 1,380 kg (40 flasks) of mercury from Japan to be supplied to M/s Hicks Thermometers India Ltd. for manufacture of Thermometers.

2. It has been noted that M/s Hicks Thermometers has obtained the Consent from Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board for the approved production capacity of 3000 pcs of thermometers/day, dated 27.10.2021 and valid until 31.07.2024.

3. The maximum production of thermometers by M/s Hicks Thermometers India Ltd. is 10,78,570 pieces and the corresponding consumption of mercury is 1104 kg (32 Flasks) (FY 2021-22) according to the data provided for the last three years.

4. Ministry has granted PICs for import of total 1759.5 kg (51 flasks) (1035 kg/30 flasks and 724.5 kg/21 flasks vide letters dated 10.03.2022 and 26.04.2023, respectively) of mercury to be supplied to M/s Hicks Thermometers.

5. Further, mercury request letter from M/s Hicks Thermometers to procure mercury from the importer (M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.) is available vide letter dated 19.10.2023, and it has been stated in the letter that the annual requirement for mercury is 1,380 kg (40 flasks).

6. Further, the Ministry is in receipt of Form-A from the National Focal Point of Minatama Convention, Japan for seeking consent for exporting 10,350 kg (300 flasks) from Japan vide email dated 29.08.2023.

7. PIC for import of 200 flasks (dated 18.10.2023) has already been issued from the afore-mentioned Form A dated 29.08.2023 for 300 flasks. Now, balance of 100 flasks is available under the Form-A for grant of PIC by India.

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8. Upon examination of your application, it has been proposed to provide PIC for import of 1,380 kg (40 flasks) of mercury from Japan to be supplied to M/s Hicks Thermometers Pvt. Ltd. for manufacture of thermometers.

9. Further, it has been noted that the port of entry of the mercury shipment into India has been given as Chennai Port in Form X, and the imported mercury has been proposed to be stored at the interim storage facility of M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. at Uran, Raigad Dist., Maharashtra.

10. M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. has the valid consent from Maharashtra Pollution Control Board for storage of mercury vide CTO letter dated 03.11.2023 and valid till 31.08.2025. Letter of Intent is available from M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. to store mercury from the present importer vide dated 21.12.2019.

11. The Ministry has examined the application. **Approval of the National Focal Point of the Minamata Convention for India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is hereby conveyed for grant of Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of mercury i.e., 1,380 kg (40 flasks) by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd. to be supplied to M/s Hicks Thermometers Pvt. Ltd.**

12. The following conditions are stipulated for compliance by the importer:

- i. The consignment for import of mercury should not be contaminated with any other material or waste.
- ii. The import shall be only for the intended use as allowed under the Minamata Convention on Mercury.
- iii. In case of any illegal imports, the consignment will have to be sent back to the exporting country and the importer shall bear the cost for the same.
- iv. The import shall be regularly monitored by the concerned SPCBs/PCCs and the Ministry shall be kept informed.
- v. In case, the importer supplies it to other end user(s), if the end user in the present application does not take the full quantity, the importer shall provide the details of the end user(s) as prescribed in the Form 'X' before the mercury is supplied to the end user(s) who meet(s) all the conditions as laid out in Form 'X'.
- vi. Importer shall file returns to the Ministry and concerned SPCB/PCC for the quantity of mercury supplied to end user(s) within 6 months from the date of import or within 3 months from the date of supply to the end user. In case of non-supply of mercury to end user, the status of storage shall be submitted within 6 months from the date of import.
- vii. Importer shall be allowed for future imports only upon submission of statement regarding the supply/consumption/utilisation of imported mercury.

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12. The consent is valid for the above-mentioned consignment/quantities and can be used one time only. The approval is subject to the provision of information by Exporting Party as contained in Section C of Form A.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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Copy to:

1. The National Focal Point to Minamata Convention, Japan.
2. The Director General of Foreign Trade, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The Central Board of indirect Taxes & Customs, Dept. of Revenue.
4. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board - *with a request to monitor the storage, transport and consumption of mercury.*
5. The Member Secretary, Delhi Pollution Control Committee - *with a request to monitor the transport and consumption of mercury.*
6. The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board - *with a request to monitor the transport of mercury.*
7. M/s Hicks Thermometers Pvt. Ltd.

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