

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

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Dated: 11th October, 2024

Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 7,210.5 kg (209 flasks) mercury from Thailand by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.

The undersigned is directed to refer your application dated 06.09.2024 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of **7,210.5 kg (209 flasks) mercury from Thailand** to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. for manufacturing mercury salts.

2. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) is in receipt of Form A sent by the National Focal Point (NFP) to Minamata Convention, Thailand vide letter dated 28.03.2023 for seeking consent for export of 40,020 kg (1160 flasks).

3. PIC for import of 32,809.5 kg (951 flasks) has been provided from the aforementioned PIC of 40,020 kg (1160 flasks). MoEF&CC has issued the PIC for import of mercury against the said Form A of 40,020 kg (excluding the current PIC). 7,210.5 kg (209 flasks) is available for grant of PIC from the said Form A.

4. It has been noted that M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. has been authorized to manufacture mercury salts (ammoniated mercuric chloride, mercuric acetate, mercuric chloride, mercuric iodide, mercuric nitrate, mercuric oxide, mercuric sulfate, mercuric sulphide, mercurous chloride and mercurous nitrate) and thiomersal (34,993 kg/annum) vide Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board (MPPCB) Consent to Operate (CTO) No. AWH - 102458, dated: 19.06.2022 and valid till 31.08.2027.

5. The maximum annual production in the last 3 years is 35.14 MT with the corresponding consumption of 29.83 MT/ annum (~865 flasks) of mercury (FY 2021-22).

6. Further, mercury request letter from M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. to procure 209 flasks of mercury from the importer (M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.) is available vide letter dated 02.09.2024

7. Further, MoEF&CC has granted PIC for import of total 53,337 kg (1546 flasks) of mercury to various importers to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.

8. 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.

9. 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.

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10. 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., 7,210.5 kg (209 flasks) mercury from Thailand by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.**

11. 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.

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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1. The National Focal Point to Minamata Convention, Thailand
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 transport and storage of mercury.
5. The Member Secretary, Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board - 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 Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd., 145, Sector-D, I/A Sanwer Road, Indore (M.P)

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