F.No.18/9/2024-HSM Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (HSM Division)

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Dated: 03 December, 2024

Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 1035 kg (30 flasks) mercury from Taiwan to India by M/s Enkay Associates

The undersigned is directed to refer your application dated 08.10.2024 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 1035 kg (30 flasks) of mercury from Taiwan to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd for manufacture of mercury salts and thiomersal.

- Taiwan s a non-Party to Minamata Convention on Mercury.
- 3. Ministry of Environment, Taiwan vide email dated 19.11.2024 has provided the certification in Form C that the mercury is not from primary mercury mining or from excess mercury from decommissioning of chlor-alkali facilities, as mandated under Article 3 (8) of Minamata Convention on Mercury.
- 4. Further, 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. Mercury request letter from M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. to the importer (M/s Enkay Associates) is available vide letters dated 10.10.2024 and 25.11.2024.
- It has been noted that the maximum annual consumption of mercury by M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. during the last three years is 29.83 MT (~865 flasks) in FY 2021-22. The end user has sought for 1035 kg (30 flasks) of mercury.
- 7. Further, MoEF&CC has granted PIC for import of total 56,407.5 kg (1635 flasks) of mercury to various importers to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.
- 8. Further, M/s Enkay Associates has stated that the entire quantity of the imported mercury, after it is cleared at JNPT port (Nhava Sheva), will be dispatched directly from JNPT port (Nhava Sheva) to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.
- 9. The Ministry has examined the application. Approval of the National Focal Point of the Minamata Convention for India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and N. Subahmanyam

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Climate Change is hereby conveyed for grant of Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 1035 kg (30 flasks) of mercury from Taiwan (non-Party) by M/s Enkay Associates to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.

- 10. 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.
- 11. 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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- 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, storage and consumption of mercury
- 6. M/s Gurjar Chemicals Private Limited, 133,145, Sector-D, Sanwer Road, Industrial Estate, Indore (M.P), India

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