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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**  
**(HSM Division)**

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Dated: 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

**Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 16,732.5 kg (485 Flasks) mercury from Peru to India by M/s Trbex Impex Pvt. Ltd.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to your following applications for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of mercury from Peru :

- i. Application 1: Application dated 07.09.2024 for import of 13,800 kg (400 flasks) to be supplied to M/s Girgan Fine Chem for manufacture of mercury salts
  - ii. Application 2: Application dated 28.11.2024 for import of 8,107.5 kg (235 flasks) to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemical Pvt. Ltd. for manufacture of mercury salts
2. National Focal Point (NFP), Peru has provided Form A for 50,000 kg (~1449 flasks) mercury vide letter dated 16.04.2024. PIC to import total of 12,075 kg (350 flasks) of mercury has been issued against the said Form A, and 37,925 kg (~1099 flasks) is available for grant of PIC.
3. M/s Girgan Fine Chem has obtained Consent to Operate (CTO) from Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board (MPCB) for manufacturing mercury salts, namely Mercurous Chloride, Mercury Chloride, Mercury Sulphide Grade – 1 (soft), Mercury Sulphide Grade -2 (Semi hard) and Mercury Sulphide Grade-3 (Hard) (Consent No.: 2022-2023/Bhiwadi/8072, valid for a period from 18.06.2022 to 31.05.2027). The total approved production capacity of the mercury salts in the CTO of M/s Girgan Fine Chemical Pvt. Ltd. is 92,970 kg/annum.
4. It has been noted that the manufacturing plant of M/s Girgan Fine Chemical located at H1-1358, RIICO Industrial Area, Bhiwadi, Alwar, received the CTO in the FY 2022-23. The mercury usage of the manufacturing plant for the FY 2023-24 is 18,423 kg (534 flasks) for production of 19,557 kg mercury salts.
5. Ministry has issued PICs for import of total 30,325.5 kg (879 flasks) to be supplied to M/s Girgan Fine Chem. Further, 2,208 kg (64 flasks) has been re-appropriated to M/s Girgan Fine Chem from the PIC given for other end-users.

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6. M/s Girgan Fine Chem vide letter dated 04.09.2024 has requested the M/s Trbex Impex Pvt. Ltd. to import mercury on their behalf.

7. M/s Gurjar Chemical Pvt. Ltd. has obtained the consent order from Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board to manufacture the 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 vide Consent No. AWH - 102458, dated: 19.06.2022 and valid till 31.08.2027. The total approved production capacity of the mercury salts in the CTO is 34,993 kg/annum.

8. The maximum mercury usage according to the data of the past three years for M/s Gurjar Chemical Pvt. Ltd. is 29.83 tonnes (approx. 865 flasks) for production of 34.14 tonnes mercury salts (FY 2021-22).

9. Ministry has issued PICs for import of total 57,442.5 kg (1,665 flasks) to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd..

10. Further, M/s Gurjar Chemical Pvt. Ltd. vide letter dated 21.10.2024 has requested M/s Trbex Impex Pvt. Ltd. to import mercury on their behalf.

11. Imported mercury is proposed to be stored at M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd., Ludhiana. M/s KBNM Metals Pvt Ltd. has obtained Consent for storage of mercury from Punjab Pollution Control Board vide Consent to Operate dated 25.10.2023 and valid till 30.06.2028. M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd. vide letter dated 31.05.2024 has authorized M/s Trbex Impex Pvt. Ltd. to store the mercury in their storage facility in Ludhiana.

12. 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., 16,732.5 kg (485 Flasks) by Trbex Impex Pvt. Ltd. to be supplied to M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. (250 flasks) and Girgan Fine Chem Pvt. Ltd. (235 flasks).**

13. 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.

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- 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.

14. 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, Peru.
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 of mercury.
5. The Member Secretary, Punjab Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the transport and storage of mercury.
6. The Member Secretary, Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the transport and consumption of mercury.
7. The Member Secretary, Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the transport and consumption of mercury.
8. M/s Gurjar Chemicals Pvt. Ltd., 133, 145, Sector-D, Sanwer Road, Indore (M.P.)
9. M/s Girgan Fine Chem Pvt. Ltd., H1-1358, Rampur Mundana, Industrial Area, Bhiwadi, Alwar, Rajasthan - 301019

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