Karnataka State Pollution Control Board

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NO: KSPCB/CEO-2/EO/MSW/Mavallipura/2012-13/121

Dated: 1st July 2012

To,

The Commissioner,
Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike.
N.R. Square, Bangalore.

The Deputy Commissioner (Health),
BBMP, Bangalore.

The Managing Director,
M/s. Ramky Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.,
No: 2950, Mahakavi Kuvempu Road,
Rajajinagar, 2nd Stage, Bangalore.
Fax - 9180233328705.

Sir,

Sub: Non-Compliance to the conditions stipulated and directions issued as per provision of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rule (6) of MSW Rules, 2000 - reg.

6) Application filed by the Deputy Commissioner, BBMP, [Health].
7) I/R of Regional Office, Bangalore North, KSPCB, No: 6284, Dtd: 20-12-2007, recommendation action for violation of Rules.

[Signature]

AVOID USE OF PLASTICS- BE 'ECO' FRIENDLY
    Dtd: 20-02-2009, not to allow residential layout around 1km of the area.
15] Notice issued by Deputy Commissioner Bangalore to Special Commissioner, Planning, BBMP,
    No; LND 0. es. ry/04/2010-11, Dtd; 19-06-2010, on illegal dumping of garbage.
16] Complaint made by Dalita Sangarsha Samiti Bangalore North Taluk, Committee on problems caused by Mavallipura site.
17] Report made by Environmental support group on the investigating Mavallipura site.
18] Proceedings of the meeting held in KSPCB on 21-10-2010.
21] I/R of RSEO/KSPCB/SEO/2010-11/4173,
    Dtd: 16-05-2011.
23] Proceedings of the personal hearing held on 02-08-2011, indicating immediate attention of compliances to be made.
26) I/R of Regional SEO of KSPCB NO: PCB/14/RSN/10/66, Dtd: 29-06-2012 and recommended for initiating action for violation.
27) Various News Paper reports on the status of Mavallipura site.
29) Letter from Gantiganahalli Grama Panchayat Karyalaya, Yelhanka Bangalore North Tq, Dtd: 06-07-2012.

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Inviting to the above reference, on the above subject, wherein BBMP is operating its landfill sites and integrated facility for disposal of MSW collected from various wards of BBMP areas which are transported and dumped at Mavallipura landfill site at Sy.No: 8 of Hesraghatta Hobli having total land area of 100 acres. The said land area is restricted to 48 acres for processing and operating through M/s. Ramky Infrastructure Ltd., The authorization was issued by KSPCB for 500 TPD integrated processing facilities for the period valid upto 31-12-2010.

During the period of authorization, various non-compliances were observed and the same was communicated to you on various occasions cited under above references. In spite of several reminders and the directions issued by KSPCB, the said directions have not been complied and the status in Mavallipura Landfill site has not been upgraded to the standards stipulated by the Board as specified in authorization.

In view of this background, public health and environment are adversely affected and consequently many public complaints were filed against the violations. Many of the news paper reports have also indicated the public concern about improper maintenance and treatment of MSW by the BBMP and its operator.
The KSPCB is in continuous persuasion with you as evident in the above references to comply with the rules and also directions issued to the BBMP along with its operator M/s. Ramky Infrastructure Ltd.,

In spite of this background, you have not shown any interest to safeguard the Environment and public health in general. Even the authorization prescribed under the MSW Rules has expired on 31-12-2010. BBMP / operator have not even applied for renewal of authorization to carry out the above activities as required under the law. Wherefore, KSPCB has conducted Personal Hearing on 02-08-2011 and no responsible senior level decision taking officer was present. Hence, a D.O letter was addressed vide reference (24) cited above to furnish a short term action plan within 7 days or otherwise the facility shall stop receiving any further fresh MSW till the accumulated wastes are completely processed.

Even after the said directions, it is noticed that, BBMP or Operator has not taken any action to furnish the short term action plan so far and not stopped receiving of this waste, even though the facility provided at the said site are not made adequate for scientific treatment and also for leachate generated from the process. Consequently, the leachate is reported to be joining the water body and due to which mosquitoes / insects are creating health hazards to the neighboring residents.

The KSPCB has given enough opportunities to BBMP and its operator to take suitable steps / actions, in spite of which there is no compliance so far, and further you are operating without valid authorization of the Board as per MSW Rules, 2000.

Therefore, the Board has no other option but to direct the BBMP and its operator under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 read with Section 15, 16, 17 and as per Rule 6 of MSW, Rules 2000 as follows,
1) To stop the supply of MSW by the BBMP to the Mavallipura Landfill site at Sy.No: 8, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North immediately till the entire accumulated wastes are completely processed for composting as per scientific treatment within the plant by M/s. Ramky Infrastructure Ltd.,

2) To stop receiving the MSW by its operator M/s. Ramky Infrastructure Ltd., forthwith. Also to process the accumulated waste completely for composting within 3 months in a scientific manner without causing eye sore to the public and health / Environmental hazard.

3) To transport unprocessed waste from the composting plant to Mandur landfill site for scientific disposal by the BBMP.

Please note that, if the above directions are not complied within the time stipulated in (1) and (2) above, KSPCB would initiate penal action as per provisions of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 against you.

Sd/-
CHAIRMAN

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1) Secretary, UDD, Govt of Karnataka, Vikas Soudha, Bangalore for kind information

Copy to:
1) Regional SEO, Bangalore North, for information and pursue the implementation of this order and report action taken by them at every 7 days interval in association with concerned Regional Offices.

2) The Regional Officer, Bangalore for information and necessary action.

3) Law Officer, KSPCB for information and necessary action.

4) Case file.

MEMBER SECRETARY