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No. BO/MPCB/AS(T)/Circular/B- 250428FTS0035

Date: 28/04/2025

CIRCULAR

Sub: Provision of penal fees as per the Notification issued by The Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change GOI vide No. G.S.R 84 (E), dated 29th January 2025– reg.

Ref: 1) Circular of Penal Fees for violating Combined Consent Regime prescribed under the Air /Water Act issued vide No. BO/MPCB/AS(T)/Circular/B 220712FTS0047, dated 12/07/2022.
2) Notification issued by The Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change GOI vide No. G.S.R 84 (E), dated 29th January 2025.
3) Minutes of 184th Board Meeting held on 10/03/2025.

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The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, GOI has issued Notification No. G.S.R 84 (E), dated 29th January 2025

The MPC Board in its 184th Board meeting held on 10/03/2023 vide item No. 18 has considered to Implement the Notification issued by The Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change GOI vide No. G.S.R 84 (E), dated 29th January 2025 & as per the said notification the penal fees shall be imposed as below:

- 1) 5% rebate on fees for submitting renewal application 4 months prior to the expiry of consent
- 2) Every consent renewal application under section 21 of the Act shall be liable to pay a late fee, at the rate specified in the Table below:

Sl. No.	Period of applying	One-time additional fee as late fee
01	Between 120 - 45 days of the validity	25 % of the fee.
02	Between 45 days to till the validity	50 % of the fee.
03	After expiry of validity	100% of the fee

This late fee circular is not for those units/ industries/health care establishments who had already paid the penalty. This late fee circular will come in force from 01/06/2025 & will not be applicable to those industries who will submit online applications for combined consent before 31st May 2025. All the applications received after 31/05/2025 will be liable for late fee as per MoEF & CC Notification dated 29/01/2025.

All the application received for Renewal of consents which are pending with the Board & have not paid the penal charges as per earlier circular, will be considered as per MoEF & CC Notification dated 29/01/2025.

The circular on Penal Fees for violations under the Combined Consent Regime, issued vide No. BO/MPCB/AS(T)/Circular/B220712FTS0047 dated 12/07/2022, shall not be applicable from 01/06/2025 to applications for Renewal of Consent to Operate, but will continue to apply to all other types of applications.

3) Period for granting consent. –

- The timeframe for grant or refusal of consent shall be within the period specified in the table below:

Sl. No.	Application	Period (in days)		
		Red	Orange	Green
1	Grant or refusal of consent to establish	60	45	30
2	Grant or refusal of consent to operate, first time	90	60	30
3	Grant or refusal of renewal of consent or expansion or amendment	120	60	30

The penal fees amount to be paid by PP through online e-payment gateway.

All the Officers of the Board should implement this circular scrupulously without fail.


(Avinash Dhakne, IAS)

Member Secretary

Copy submitted to: The Hon'ble Chairman, MPC Board Mumbai- for favor of information
Copy to:

1. All HODs, MPC Board Mumbai. - For information & necessary action
2. PRO, MPCB Mumbai. *He is directed to give publicity of the circular by way of news, awareness in leading newspapers.*
3. Law Officer/Statical Officer, MPC Board Mumbai

Copy to:

1. All Regional Officer, MPC Board. *They are directed to ensure that the above circular shall be brought to the notice of all Industrial Associations in their jurisdiction & give wide publicity and shall be implemented accordingly.*
2. All Sub-Regional Officer, MPC Board. *They are directed to ensure that the above circular shall be brought to the notice of all Industrial Associations in their jurisdiction & give wide publicity and shall be implemented accordingly*
3. SO/EIC- *He is directed to host the circular on Board's website & make necessary changes to the IMIS Portal of the Board regarding timeframe for grant or refusal of consent, provision of 5% rebate on fees for submitting renewal application 4 months prior to the expiry of consent & late fees calculation based on the table above*