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SPEED POST

B-29016/04/06/IPC-I/

May 22, 2018

To

The Member Secretary
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board,
Kalpataru Point, 3rd and 4th floor,
Opp. Cine Planet, Sion Circle,
Mumbai-400 022, Maharashtra

Sub: Public complaint received from Sh. Sanjay P. Nirbhavane regarding Fire dated 2.03.2018 at M/s Krishna Antioxidants, Ganekhadpoli, Ratnagiri, MH-reg.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of public complaint dated May 10, 2018 received from Sh. Sanjay P. Nirbhavane, Sarvatmaka Samajik and Sanskrutik Sanstha against M/s Krishna Antioxidants, Ratnagiri, Maharashtra. The public complaint is regarding air pollution caused due to Fire at M/s Krishna Antioxidants, Ratnagiri, Maharashtra, which is self-explanatory in nature.

You are, therefore, requested to investigate the matter and submit the action taken report to this office within 15 days.

Encl.: as above

Yours faithfully,

(Gurnam Singh) Addl. Director & I/c IPC-I

Copy to:

The Regional Director: with a request to follow up with MPCB Central Pollution Control Board,
Parivesh Bhawan, Opp. VMC Ward office No. 10,
Subhanpura, Vadodara, Gujarat-390023

(Gurnam Singh)



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कार्यालयिन पत्ता: सावित्रीबाई फुले सभागृह, विनायक चौक, जरीमरी नगर, कल्याण (पूर्व). कार्या. फोन: २५६२४१७७/ ९२२४७७४४५३

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To

The Chairman.

Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

PariveshBhavan,

East Arjun Nagar,

Delhi-110032.

Date: 10th May, 2018°

Subject: Fire dated 2.03.2018 at M/s. Krishna Antioxidants, GaneKhadpoli, Chiplun District-Ratnagiri, Maharashtra, is a big mystery. Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to bring it to your notice that the Fire at M/s. Krishna Antioxidants, GaneKhadpoli, Chiplun, District -Ratnagiri is a major threat to the village, environment and surrounding villages as this company has Not at all shown any responsibilities towards the poor villagers, their other plant which is situated 200 Mtrs away and also the Lote plant are running in full swing, without any proper approvals, statutory Compliance and safety measures, this units management have not learnt any lesson from the major fire incident of 2.03.2018.

As a responsible organization, humbly request the authority to have the thorough investigations of their other plants located at Khadpoli, Lote and Vasai.

The fire incident which took place at their Khadpoli plant is a mystery, the local newspapers have raised many valid points which are still un-answered by the statutory approving bodies.

1/ This godown was built in green zone belt.

- 2. How MPCD and MIDC have given approval for this when it is Green Zone Beit and not falling under Chemical Zone.
- 3. Marathi School is situated hardly 200 Meters from this unit.
- 4. Also the local villagers are situated surrounding this unit.
- 5. Company claims that it was godown for storage of Raw Material than question arises how the production activities were carried out?
- 6. Whether the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has approved this Project?

- 7. Whether Environmental Clearance and Consent to Operate was obtained?
- 8. Whether Environment Impact Assessment was carried out?
- 9. Whether Collectors Permission is obtained for storage of the Class A and B Solvents?
- 10. Whether the License is obtained from Chief Controller of Explosives?
- 11. Whether the Fire NOC was obtained?
- 12. Whether the public hearing was conducted for this project as it is surrounded by local villagers and High school?

The Fire started at 3.00 PM in the afternoon and it took 12 hours to control this fire. The company representatives' were not able to inform the fire fighters that what type of chemicals was stored in the godown. At 3.00 AM in the morning the fire was brought under control.

Total 12 numbers of Fire tenders (Water and Foam) were continuously fighting for 12 Hours. This proves that huge quantity of products highly flammable was stored. Fire has caused damage to surrounding village environment and also to their property. Also they are complaints from local villagers that this fire fumes and gas has caused the severe medical issues in village and surroundings.

The Company's safety process seems to be zero and the company is totally irresponsible and taking all the statutory approvals as granted.

Hence looking into the huge loss and damage to the property and environment the other units located at Lote and Vasai needs to be scrutinized.

Also the godown which has caused huge damage due to fire the permission should be denied by the approval authorities and **not allow** to re-construct the work. Closure to be issued.

Your immediate and strong action in this regards will be highly appreciated.

Yours's sincerely,

For SARVATMAKA SAMAJIK AND SANSKRUTIK SANSTHA

SANIAY P. NIRBHAVANE

President

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सर्वात्मका सामा. व सांस्कृ. संस्था CC To:-

- 1. The Hon'ble Prime Minister, Gol, Prime Minister Office (PMO), South Block, Raisina Hill, New Delhi-110011.
- 2. The Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MOEF), Gol, 3rd Floor, Prithvi Wing, Indira ParvayaranBhawan, JorBagh, New Delhi-110003.
- 3. The Chairman, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point, 3rd and 4th Floor, Opp. Cine Planet, SION Circle, Mumbai- 400022.