

# MAHARASHTRA POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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## CIRCULAR

**Sub.- Circular regarding tree plantation on remaining open land of 33% of open space reserved by industry for tree plantation & green belt development.**

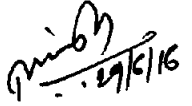
- Ref.- 1) State Govt.'s decision dtd. 31/05/2016 regarding planting two crore trees on occasion of World Environment Day.  
2) Board's Circular regarding tree plantation dtd. 02/06/2016.

Hon'ble Environment Minister, GoM in a meeting held on 31/05/2016 has decided to plant two crore trees in the state on occasion of the World Environment Day. To implement State Govt.'s this decision, Board has issued a Circular in this regard and directed all the Regional Officers to form a district level committee, to identify open spaces, to engage private organizations/ NGOs/ Industries so as to achieve district level target of plantation of 1.5 lakh trees.

Board grants Consent to Operate to industries with the condition to bring minimum 33% of the available open land under green coverage/ plantation. Also, they are instructed to submit a yearly statement by 30<sup>th</sup> September every year on available open plot area, number of trees surviving as on 31<sup>st</sup> March of the year and number of trees planted by September end.

In line with the State Govt.'s above decision of two crore tree plantation, it has been decided by the Board to direct all the industries in the State to plant trees on remaining space of the 33% of open land, if any space is left without tree plantation.

Therefore, all the Regional Officers and Sub-Regional Officers are directed to immediately obtain area of remaining space of the 33% of open land, if any space is left without tree plantation, of all the industries of their jurisdiction and instruct them to plant fruit bearing trees, Banyan trees, Peepal trees, Neem trees etc. on the remaining space. Also, they are requested to encourage the industry, if any industry is willing to plant additional trees beyond 33% of open land of the industry.

  
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