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Sub: Mandatory obtaining of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Registration by Producers / Manufacturers / Brand Owners / Importers / Bulk Consumers / Recyclers / Refurbishers under the applicable Waste Management Rules.

- Ref:**
1. Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 (as amended)
 2. E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 (as amended)
 3. Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022
 4. Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 (as amended) w.r.t. used & waste tyres
 5. Relevant CPCB Guidelines / SOPs on Extended Producer Responsibility issued from time to time.

MoEF & CC and CPCB have introduced Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) under various waste management rules, making Producers, Manufacturers, Brand Owners, Importers and, in certain cases, Bulk Consumers / Generators responsible for environmentally sound management of waste from their products — including plastic packaging, e-waste, batteries, tyre/rubber waste, and used oil — through the product's end-of-life stage.

CPCB has set up dedicated online portals for EPR Registration of Producers, Manufacturers, Brand Owners, Importers, Recyclers, Refurbishers, Processors and other stakeholders, along with a separate portal for trading of EPR Certificates / Credits. No such entity may manufacture, sell, import, or place these products in the market, or undertake recycling / refurbishing / processing of the resultant waste, without valid EPR Registration.

At present, MPCB mandates EPR Registration mainly for Recyclers / Refurbishers / Processors at the stage of Consent to Establish / Operate. However, compliance by Producers, Manufacturers, Brand Owners, Importers and Bulk Consumers / Generators is not being adequately verified and enforced.

In order to ensure comprehensive compliance with the EPR provisions under the applicable Rules and to strengthen the circular economy in waste management, it is now decided that all industries / entities falling within the ambit of Producer, Manufacturer, Brand Owner, Importer, Bulk Consumer / Bulk Generator, Recycler, Refurbisher, as the case may be, under the following waste streams, shall mandatorily obtain EPR Registration on the concerned CPCB portal, in addition to any registration / authorisation required from MPCB:

Waste Stream	Applicable Rules	Entities covered (as applicable)	CPCB EPR Portal
Plastic Packaging Waste	Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 (as amended)	Producer, Importer, Brand Owner (PIBO), Plastic Waste Processor / Recycler	https://eprplastic.cpcb.gov.in
E-Waste	E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 (as amended)	Producer, Manufacturer, Refurbisher, Recycler	https://eprewaste.cpcb.gov.in
Battery Waste	Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022	Producer, Recycler, Refurbisher	https://eprbwm.cpcb.gov.in
Waste / Used Tyres	Hazardous and Other Wastes (M&TM) Rules, 2016 (as amended) / relevant CPCB Guidelines on EPR for waste tyres	Producer / Recycler / Retreader	https://eprtyres.cpcb.gov.in/
Used Oil	Hazardous and Other Wastes (M&TM) Rules, 2016 (as amended)	Producer / Collection Agents / Recyclers / Used Oil Importers	https://eprusedoil.cpcb.gov.in/

Accordingly, all Consent Granting Authorities are hereby directed to take the following action with immediate effect:

1. While processing applications for Consent to Establish & Operate, impose the condition to obtain EPR Registration wherever covered under the applicable categories of applicable waste management Rules.
2. While processing applications for Renewal of Consent / Authorisation, verify that the applicant industry, wherever covered under any of the categories under the applicable waste management Rules, has obtained valid EPR Registration on the concerned CPCB portal, and that the same is current and not expired.
3. In respect of existing consented / authorised units falling under the above categories who have not yet obtained EPR Registration, issue directions calling upon them to obtain the requisite EPR Registration within a period of 30 days, failing which action shall be initiated under the provisions of the respective Acts / Rules.
4. An industry operating without the mandatory EPR registration shall be liable to pay Environmental Compensation as per the applicable Rules and CPCB guidelines. Legal action. Legal action under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the applicable Rules shall be initiated against any industry that fails to obtain the mandatory EPR registration.
5. The FO and SRO shall strictly verify the capacity of the plant and machinery while processing an application and shall record the verification in the inspection report before forwarding it to the HQ. The EPR registration number shall be mentioned in the reference section of the consent.

This circular is applicable to all industries / entities operating within the jurisdiction of the Board falling under the categories of Producer, Manufacturer, Brand Owner, Importer, Bulk Consumer / Bulk Generator, Recycler, Refurbisher, Processor under the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022, Battery Waste Management Rules, 2022, and other applicable waste management Rules, and shall come into force with immediate effect.

All Technical HODs / Regional Officers / Sub-Regional Officers are requested to bring the contents of this Circular to the notice of all concerned officers under their jurisdiction, as well as to Industry Associations within their jurisdiction, for strict compliance.

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Member Secretary

Copy submitted for information to:

1. Hon'ble Chairman, MPCB

Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. All Technical HODs, MPCB HQ, Mumbai
2. All Regional Officers / Sub-Regional Officers, MPCB
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