


# MAHARASHTRA POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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No. BO/MPCB/AS(T)/Circular/B- 40

Date: 26/08/2025

## CIRCULAR

**Sub:** Simplification of Consent Procedure for Green Category Industries- Reg

**Ref:** 1) Notification No. G.S.R. 84(E) dated 29/01/2025 issued under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981  
2) Notification No. G.S.R. 85(E) dated 30/01/2025 issued under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974

In accordance with the recent amendments to the Air and Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Acts, 1981 and 1974 respectively, and considering the low pollution potential of Green Category industries & also for Ease of doing business, the following instructions are hereby issued for necessary compliance by all concerned:

### 1) Exemption from Site Visit

No site visit or physical inspection shall be undertaken by Board officials in respect of Green Category units while processing applications for Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate/Renewal, as such units are classified as less polluting.

### 2) Self-Certification Based Processing

Applications submitted by Green Category industries shall be processed based on self-certification submitted by the project proponents, as detailed below:

#### a) For Consent to Establish:

- A Self-Certification by the applicant stating that the proposed site is in compliance with the Siting Criteria prescribed under various Environmental acts/notifications for the said category (**enclosed format**).
- Mandatory submission of Building/Development permission as per circular dated 29/07/2025.

#### b) For Consent to Operate/Renewal:

- **A Self-Certification by the applicant confirming (enclosed format):**
- Compliance with applicable Environmental Norms, and
- Adherence to the conditions stipulated in the previously issued Consent. ...2

### 3) Online Submission

All applications and declarations shall be submitted mandatorily through the online consent management system of the Board. Physical submission of documents will not be accepted.


### 4) Monitoring and Verification

Although no site visit is required for processing of consent applications, the Board reserves the right to carry out random inspections or audits based on specific credible information suggesting non-compliance or misrepresentation of the facts.

This circular is also applicable for Consent to Establish (CTE) for expansion under the same category, i.e., Green Category.

All Regional Officers/Sub-Regional Officers are directed to take due note of the above and implement the same with immediate effect.

This circular shall come into force with immediate effect.

  
(Dr. 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/Statistical Officer, MPC Board Mumbai

Copy to:

4. 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.**
5. 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**
6. SO/EIC – **He is directed to upload the circular on the Board's official website and ensure necessary modifications are made in the IMIS Portal of the Board.**

**SELF-CERTIFICATION BY APPLICANT for GREEN category Industry**  
(For Consent to Establish – Compliance with Siting Criteria) (on company letterhead)

To  
The Member Secretary,  
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board  
[Address of the Office]

**Sub:** Self-Certification for Compliance with Siting Criteria – Consent to Establish  
Application for [Name of Project / Industry]

Sir/Madam,

I, the undersigned, hereby submit this Self-Certification as part of the application for Consent to Establish (CTE) under the provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and applicable rules and notifications thereof.

I do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that:

I am the [Owner/Authorized Signatory/Proprietor/Partner/Director] of M/s \_\_\_\_\_, located at \_\_\_\_\_ (address of the proposed site).

The proposed project falls under the **Green** category as per the classification of industries under Red, Orange, Green, White & Blue issued by CPCB on 12/02/2025.

I certify that the proposed site complies with the siting Criteria as prescribed by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, GOI issued Notification vide No. G.S.R 84 (E), dated 29th January 2025 & No. G.S.R 85 (E), dated 30th January 2025 regarding Control of Air Pollution (Grant, Refusal or cancellation of Consent) Guidelines 2025 & Control of Water Pollution (Grant, Refusal or cancellation of Consent) Guidelines 2025 respectively i.e., Located beyond **30 meters from the nearest boundary of surface body (flood plain / HFL / Redline)**, and Located beyond **100 meters From Settlements, Educational Institutes, Worship Places, Archaeological Monuments, National Parks, Reserve Forests, Heritage Sites** as per revenue records.

I certify that the proposed site complies with all applicable Siting Criteria as prescribed by State Govt & Central Govt under the relevant Environmental Acts, rules, and notifications and the site does not fall under any restricted or prohibited area as per the prevailing environmental norms.

I understand that any false or misleading statement made in this certification shall attract legal action, including rejection of the application, cancellation of consent, and prosecution under applicable laws.

This declaration is made with full understanding of the applicable environmental regulations and based on best knowledge and belief.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Designation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the Applicant/Industry: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**SELF-CERTIFICATION BY APPLICANT for GREEN category Industry**  
(For Consent to Operate / Renewal of Consent) (on company letterhead)

To  
The Member Secretary,  
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board  
[Address of the Office]

**Sub:** Self-Certification for Compliance with Environmental Norms and Consent Conditions —  
Application for Consent to Operate / Renewal [Name of Project / Industry]

Sir/Madam,

I, the undersigned, hereby submit this Self-Certification as part of the application for Consent to Operate / Renewal of Consent under the provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and applicable rules and notifications thereof.

I do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that:

I am the [Owner/Authorized Signatory/Proprietor/Partner/Director] of M/s \_\_\_\_\_, located at \_\_\_\_\_ (address of the unit).

The industry/unit is currently operational and falls under the **Green** category as per the classification of industries under Red, Orange, Green, White & Blue issued by CPCB on 12/02/2025.

I hereby confirm that:

- The unit is **in compliance with all applicable Environmental Norms**, including effluent discharge standards, air emission norms, noise limits, solid and hazardous waste management, and other relevant environmental regulations.
- The unit is **complying with all the conditions stipulated** in the previously issued **Consent to Establish/Consent to Operate along with previous directions issued if any**.
- There have been **no changes in the production process or capacity** that would require a fresh Consent to Establish or Environmental Clearance, and the operation remains within the approved limits.

I understand that **any misrepresentation or false declaration** may result in rejection or cancellation of the consent and may invite penal action under the relevant laws.

This declaration is submitted in good faith and with full knowledge of the applicable statutory requirements.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Designation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the Applicant/Industry: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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