

F.No 13/10/2020-HSMD
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(HSM Division)

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Jor Bagh Road
New Delhi- 110003

Dated: 26.4.2022

Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 6037.5 kg (175 flasks) mercury from Japan to India by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.

The undersigned directed to refer your application dated 24/01/2022 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 6037.5 kg (175 flasks) of mercury from Japan.

2. It is noted that the ministry has received Form A from the National Focal Point to Minamata Convention, Japan vide email dated 24th January, 2022 for seeking consent for export of 6037.5 kg (175 flasks).

3. It has been noted that one of the end users of the imported mercury, i.e. M/s Disha Instruments & Surgical Industries, Pune, Maharashtra, has been authorised to manufacture BP Instrument Assembly for the maximum quantity of 4000 numbers/month (48,000 numbers/year) vide Consent to Operate No. MPCB-CONSENT-0000122175, dated 28.11.2021 and valid till 31.10.2024.

4. It has been noted that the maximum consumption of mercury per annum by M/s Disha Instruments & Surgical Industries as per the manufacturing data from the last three years is 4317.9 kg (approx. 125 flasks) for the manufacture of 49,500 units of BP apparatus (FY 2020-21). M/s Disha Instruments & Surgical Industries has sought for 3450 kg (100 flasks) of mercury.

5. The second end user of the imported mercury, i.e. M/s Anita Instruments, New Delhi, has been authorised to manufacture BP Apparatus for the maximum quantity of 2500 numbers/month (30,000 numbers/year, 81.5 gms of mercury per BP apparatus) vide Consent to Operate under the white category No. DPCC/CMC/WHITE/2018/4073555, dated 16/05/2020.

6. It has been noted that maximum consumption of mercury per annum by M/s Anita Industries as per the manufacturing data from the last three years is 1862 kg (approx. 54 flasks) for the manufacture of 22,846 units of BP apparatus (FY 2019-20). M/s Anita Industries has sought for 2587.5 kg (75 flasks) of mercury.

7. FR is the letter from M/s Hicks Thermometers that M/s KBNM Metals was granted PIC by the ministry on 11.03.2022 for supply of 1035 kg (30 flasks) to M/s Hicks Thermometers. M/s Hicks Thermometers informed that the quotation provided by M/s KBNM Metals for the supply of mercury is Rs. 2.35 Lakhs + Taxes per flask, whereas M/s Purple Products has offered to provide mercury at Rs. 2.10 Lakhs + Taxes per flask. In view of this, M/s Hicks Thermometers requested to shift the PIC From M/s KBNM Metals to M/s Purple Products.

8. As M/s Anita Industries had consumed the maximum no. of 54 flasks per annum according to the data of the last three years, it is proposed to grant PIC to supply only 54

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flasks against the proposed quantity of 75 flasks. Accordingly, the balance quantity of 21 flasks may be given to M/s Hicks Thermometers.

7. The interim storage facility of M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. at Uran, Raigad Dist., Maharashtra, who has the valid Consent from Maharashtra Pollution Control Board for storage of mercury vide CTO letter dated 09.08.2021 and valid till 30.08.2023. Letter of Intent is available from M/s Baya Logisolutions Pvt. Ltd. to store mercury from the present importer vide dated 21.12.2019.

8. It has been noted that M/s Disha Instruments and Anita Industries provided the consent to import mercury of 3450 kg (100 flasks) and 2587.5 kg (75 flasks) respectively from the importer (M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd) vide email dated 05.04.2022.

9. The Ministry has examined the application. **The National Focal Point of the Minamata Convention for India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby grants Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of mercury i.e., 6037.5 kg (175 flasks) by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd. from Japan to be used in the following industries:**

S.No.	Manufacturer Name	Proposed Quantity for the Grant of PIC
1	M/s Disha Instruments & Surgical Industries	3450 kg (100 Flasks)
2	M/s Anita Industries	1863 kg (54 Flasks)
3	M/s Hicks Thermometers	724.5 kg (21 Flasks)
	Total	6037.5 kg (175 Flasks)

10. The following conditions are stipulated for compliance by the importer:

- (i) The consignment for import of mercury should not be contaminated with any other material or waste.
- (ii) The import shall be only for the intended use as allowed under the Minamata Convention on Mercury.
- (iii) In case of any illegal imports, the consignment will have to be sent back to the exporting country and the importer shall bear the cost for the same.
- (iv) The import shall be regularly monitored by the concerned SPCBs/PCCs and the Ministry shall be kept informed.
- (v) In case, the importer supplies it to other end user(s), if the end user in the present application does not take the full quantity, the importer shall provide the details of the end user(s) as prescribed in the Form 'X' before the mercury is supplied to the end user(s) who meet(s) all the conditions as laid out in Form 'X'.
- (vi) Importer shall file returns to the Ministry and concerned SPCB/PCC for the quantity of mercury supplied to end user(s) within 6 months from the date of import or within 3 months from the date of supply to the end user. In case of non-supply of mercury to end user, the status of storage shall be submitted within 6 months from the date of import.
- (vii) Importer shall be allowed for future imports only upon submission of statement regarding the supply/consumption/utilisation of imported mercury.

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10. The consent is valid for the above-mentioned consignment/quantities and can be used one time only. The approval is subject to the provision of information by Exporting Party as contained in Section C of Form A.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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Copy to:

1. The Director General of Foreign Trade, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The Central Board of indirect Taxes & Customs, Dept. of Revenue.
3. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board-*with a request to monitor the storage, transport and consumption of mercury.*
4. The Member Secretary, Delhi Pollution Control Board- *with a request to monitor the transport and consumption of mercury.*
5. M/s Disha Instruments & Surgical Industries, 692/2+B, Bibwewadi Road, 3, Bhagyashree Co-op. Society, Near Pushpa Mangal karyalay, Pune-411037. Email: dishabp@gmail.com
6. M/s Anita Industries, 29, Bhagat Singh Market, New Delhi-110001. Email: elkodelhi@yahoo.co.in
7. M/s Hicks Thermometers (I) Ltd., A-12,13 & C-26, Industrial Estate, Aligarh-01 (U.P). Email: hicksindia@gmail.com, sales@hicksindia.com

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