

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan  
Jot Bagh Road  
New Delhi- 110003

Dated: 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2022

**Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 7417.5 kg (215 flasks) mercury from Thailand to India by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd.**

The undersigned directed to refer your application dated 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 29,946 kg (868 flasks) of mercury from Thailand.

2. It is noted that the National Focal Point, Thailand has vide letter no.0304/7889 dated 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 provided the Form-A for export of 29,946 kg (868 flasks) mercury from Thailand.
3. It has been noted that the end user of the imported mercury, i.e. M/s Mercury Rasayans, Dist. Ganjam, Odisha has been authorised to manufacture mercury salts (viz. Mercury Chloride and Mercurous Chloride) with the capacity of 13,760 kg/month vide Consent to Operate No.4148/CTO-591/2014 dated 21.12.2021 which is valid till 31.03.2023.
4. It has been noted that the maximum consumption of mercury by the M/s Mercury Rasayans during last three years is 7417.5 kg for manufacture of 7955 kg mercury salts during FY 2018-19.
5. It has been noted that the exporting country, i.e. Thailand has provided Form-A and the Consent to export the mercury vide letter no.0304/7889 dated 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2021.
6. 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.
7. It has been noted that M/s Mercury Rasayans provided the consent to import mercury of 30,015 kg (870 flasks) from the importer (M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd) vide letter dated 14.12.2020.
8. 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. 7417.5 kg (215 flasks equivalent) by M/s Purple Products Pvt. Ltd. from Thailand, and 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.

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- (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.

9. 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 storage and transport of mercury.*
4. The Member Secretary, Pollution Control Board, Odisha-*with a request to monitor storage, transport and consumption of mercury.*

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