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KSPCB/1428/2023-SEE-1

Dated: 24-11-2025

CIRCULAR

Sub: Refunding of Consent Fee - reg.

Ref:

1. Circular No. KSPCB/1428/2023-SEE-1 dated 11/10/2023
2. Directions issued by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) under section 18(1)(b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 regarding harmonisation of classification of sectors under Red, Orange, Green, White and Blue categories issued vide CPCB letter dated 12.02.2025

Based on clarifications requested from District offices regarding the refund of consent fee, Circular referred 1 is amended as follows.

If the entrepreneur authentically reports that the project is dropped due to his own reasons:

Consent Type	Status	Refund
Consent to Establish & Consent to Establish-Renewal	Application under Process	One year fee may be retained and the rest refunded.
	Consent Issued	Fee corresponding to the remaining term shall be refunded
Consent To Operate (Project has been dropped before commencement of Operation)	Application under Process	One year fee may be retained and the rest refunded.
	Consent Issued	Fee corresponding to the remaining term shall be refunded
Consent To Operate-Renewal		No Refund

For units that are re categorised to White or exempted from Consent purview, 'one year fee' or 'fee for the period from the date of issue of consent to date of revocation of consent' (whichever is greater) shall be retained and the rest refunded in the following cases

- i. Application submitted before 12/02/2025 and Consent not been issued

- ii. Application submitted after 12/02/2025 (irrespective of whether Consent has been issued or not)

On receipt of requests for refund, such requests shall be processed as per this circular only after revocation of consent issued, if any.

Signed by **CHAIRPERSON**

Sreekala S

Date: 24-11-2025 12:44:34

To

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Regional Office, Thiruvananthapuram /Ernakulam/Kozhikode.
2. The Senior Environmental Engineer,
District Office Wayanad, Kannur
3. The Environmental Engineer, District Office,
Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Pathanamthitta, Alapuzha, Kottayam, Idukki,
Ernakulam-1, Ernakulam-2, Environmental Surveillance Centre, Eloor, Thrissur,
Palakkad, Malappuram, Kozhikode, Kasargod.

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