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No. EPA/EIA/WWTP/CSM-I/D.I.K/26/ 121

Date: 27/02/2026

To

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Subject: **OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL TO WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AT CHASHMA SUGAR MILLS UNIT-I, INDUS HIGHWAY D.I. KHAN.**

Kindly refer to your letter No. CSM-1/GM-5/221 dated 28-11-2025 regarding the request for Operational Environmental Approval, and the subsequent site visit conducted by a team of EPA Regional Office D.I. Khan. The Environmental Protection Agency, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, hereby grants Operational Environmental Approval to **"WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AT CHASHMA SUGAR MILLS UNIT-I, INDUS HIGHWAY, UNIVERSITY ROAD, D.I. KHAN"**, subject to the following terms and conditions, which must be fully adopted for environmental compliance in letter and spirit.

1. This approval is accorded under Section 13 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act 2014.
2. This Approval is accorded in light of the decision taken under Agenda Item No. 06 in the 2nd Environmental Protection Council (EPC) meeting held dated 11/09/2024 and Administrative Department Notification No. SO(Env)/CCFEWD/4-2/2023/EPC/V-III dated 22/01/2025.
3. The proponent shall ensure full implementation of all precautionary and mitigatory measures identified in the construction phase environmental approval issued vide Letter No. EPA/EIA/WWTP/Chashma Sugar/I/DIK/22/263-65 dated 28-06-2022, along with any additional measures necessary to address unforeseen impacts arising during the operational phase.
4. This approval is accorded only for the waste water treatment plant generated from mill house and process house of CSM Unit-I.
5. The proponent shall strictly operate the Sugar Mill in accordance with the approved EIA, Environmental Management Plan, and commitments made to this Agency.
6. The Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) shall remain fully operational at all times. No untreated effluent shall be discharged into any drain, canal, or water body.
7. Treated waste water analysis reports of the required parameters (PH, BOD, COD, TSS, Oil & Grease, toxic metals, NH₃, H₂S, etc) from EPA KP certified laboratory shall be submitted to this Agency (with special focus on COD) on quarterly basis.
8. Analysis reports of the ambient air surrounding the treated effluents channel of the CSM Unit-I (with special focus on H₂S and NH₃) from EPA certified lab shall be submitted to EPA KP on quarterly basis. The proponent is bound for making special interventions as and when the aforementioned parameters reported in violation of NEQS.
9. Treated effluent shall comply with NEQS and shall preferably be reused for irrigation or industrial purposes.
10. Treated sludge shall be properly stored & dried in environmentally safe manner within the CSM Unit-I premises before final disposal. Record of the same be properly maintained. A proper site for the final sludge disposal shall be selected in consultation with EPA KP.
11. Odor control measures shall be implemented in the mill, especially around processing and storage areas.

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12. Liquid effluents shall be properly treated through the waste water treatment system and shall not be discharged into any drain or water body without full NEQS compliance. Maximum recycling and reuse of treated effluent shall be ensured.
13. Occupational health and safety measures shall be fully implemented. Personal protective equipment shall be provided to the workers.
14. The proponent will carry out the plantation in the project area. A buffer zone in the form of thick plantation shall be established between the treatment plant and surroundings. The proponent will submit a plantation plan on seasonal basis to the Agency.
15. A qualified environmental professional shall remain engaged for continuous implementation of environmental, health, and safety measures.
16. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities shall be implemented as committed, focusing on local community needs, and progress reports shall be shared with EPA KP.
17. The proponent shall install two separate complaint boxes (for social and environmental complaints) on main gate of the unit.
18. Internships/apprenticeships shall be provided to the local graduates belong to surrounding villages.
19. The Agency may prescribe additional mitigation measures as and when it warrants based on site inspections, complaints, or monitoring reports.
20. EPA KP reserves the right to impose additional conditions or take enforcement action in case of any environmental degradation observed during operation.
21. This approval is subject to compliance with Rules 14, 15, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021, relating to confirmation of compliance, inspections, monitoring, and reporting.
22. Any expansion, modification, or change in design, process, capacity or pollution control systems shall require prior approval from EPA KP.
23. As per Rule 15(4) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021, the proponent must apply for renewal of this operational approval after every three (03) years.
24. This approval does not absolve the proponent of the duty to obtain any other approval or clearance that may be required under any law in force. The proponent shall have to obtain NOCs required from other departments under the prevailing laws/rules of the Provincial Government.
25. The proponent is required to submit 'Schedule X' on judicial stamp paper, duly filled, signed, and stamped by the proprietor, within thirty (30) days of the issuance of this approval, in accordance with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021, declaring full commitment to all the above-stated conditions.
26. This approval shall be considered null and void in case of violation or non-compliance with any of the above conditions.

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2. AD IT, EPA Head Office, Peshawar for necessary action.
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