

**Gujarat Pollution Control Board**  
Paryavaran Bhavan, Sector 10-A,  
Gandhinagar

**Circular**

**Sub: Standard procedure for revocation of the order for suspension / cancellation of vehicle registration which is involved in illegal transportation of wastes.**

It is to note that when an industry is observed flouting environmental laws by illegally disposing effluent / wastes through a vehicle, the Board initiates legal actions including closure directions under the prevailing environmental laws against the defaulter unit and direct the concerned Regional Transport Office (RTO) to suspend / cancel registration of the vehicle involved in violation.

It is pertinent to note that when revocation of aforesaid directions is issued to the industry, no further process regarding decision on suspended / cancelled registration of the vehicle is contemplated. Under these circumstances, numbers of representations have been received by the Board requesting for revocation of order for suspension / cancellation of vehicle registration, which has necessitated to prepare a standard procedure for consideration of applications seeking revocation of the order for suspension / cancellation of vehicle registration.

After careful consideration on various aspects, the standard procedure has been decided for revocation of the order for suspension / cancellation of vehicle registration. Henceforth, following standard procedure shall be followed for all such cases:

- a) Vehicle owner shall pay Environment Damage Compensation to the Board and after receipt of EDC, the Board shall revoke the directions issued to RTO for the order for suspension / cancellation of vehicle registration, with a copy to applicant.
- b) Applicant shall make an application to concerned RTO for withdrawal of suspension / cancellation of vehicle registration.
- c) RTO may consider following advisory while revoking suspension of vehicle registration associated with illegal transportation of effluent / waste:
  - 1) Revocation of suspension / cancellation of vehicle may be issued by RTO after levying of Bank Guarantee having validity for at least one year, of the remarkable amount (Say, 50 % amount of Environment Damage Compensation paid to GPCB).
  - 2) Revocation of suspension / cancellation order of vehicle registration may be issued with a condition that the Bank Guarantee submitted will be forfeited if recurrence of the similar offence is made by the vehicle within Bank Guarantee validity period.

3) If the vehicle is not found indulged into the offence within Bank Guarantee validity period, the Bank Guarantee shall be returned after its expiry.

This policy shall also be applicable to all earlier cases where RTO/Concerned Authorities are directed to suspend/cancel vehicle registration.

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