

**GOVT. OF PUNJAB**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENVIRONMENT AND**  
**NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY**

**NOTIFICATION.**

The May, 1996

No. 3/7/96-STE (4) 1120 whereas, it is necessary and expedient to take immediate steps under sections 5 & 7 of the Environment (Protection)Act, 1986 and rules framed thereunder to maintain ecological balance in the State, to prevent environmental degradation and to avoid traffic and human health hazards;

And whereas stone crusher units in the State of Punjab have been causing grave air pollution and causing hazards to traffic, and human health;

Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred by section 5 of the Environment (Protection)Act, 1986, read with Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Deptt. of Environment, Forests and Wild Life notification No.S.O.389 (E), dated the 14<sup>th</sup> April, 1988 and in pursuance of the provisions of section 7 of the said Act and Rule 4 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Governor of Punjab hereby directs as under :-

- i. All stone crusher units shall install pollution control measures which will include construction of sheds and installation of sprinklers. These measures should be operating to the satisfaction of Pollution Control Board, failing which the closure of the unit will be ordered.
- ii. All Stone Crusher units shall comply with restrictions and provisions of department of Town & Country Planning Govt. of Punjab.
- iii. that no stone crusher unit shall be allowed to operate within the limits of,
  - a) 1.5 kilometers of the National Highways;
  - b) One Kilometer of State Highways;
  - c) 300 meters of link roads;
  - d) 5 kilometers of the boundary of metropolitan cities.
  - e) 3 kilometers of district headquarters;
  - f) 1.5 kilometers from the town abides, other district headquarters, approved urban colonies and any existing tourist complex.
  - g) One kilometer of village abides or any land recorded as forest in Govt. records or any areas which come under the Controlled Area;
- iv. that each stone crusher shall be located in a minimum area of one acre which should be owned by the stone crusher unit and should not be owned on lease from Panchayats;
- v. that each stone crusher unit shall install suitable pollution control measures to the satisfaction of the Punjab Pollution Control Board and shall obtain 'No Objection Certificate' from the Punjab Pollution Control Board and shall obtain 'No Object on Certificate' from the Town & Country planning Department; Punjab and also conform to other statutory regulations, if any.

The stone crusher units henceforth would be permitted any where subject to the restrictions on the department of Town & Country Planning & the Punjab Pollution Control Board.

Existing stone crusher units which are not conforming to the parameters, as detailed above, shall shift to sites conforming to the above parameters within the time frame given by the Punjab Pollution Control Board to them but not later than six months from the date of issue of this notification.

Dated, Chandigarh, the  
15.5.1996.

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