CENTRAL GROUND WATER AUTHORITY MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANGA REJUVENATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal(NGT), New Delhi, in order dated 15.4.2015 followed by order dated 23.4.2015, order dated 09.07.2015 and judgment dated 11.01.2016 issued directions (for detailed directions please refer to website <u>http://cgwa-noc.gov.in</u> Or <u>http://cgwb.gov.in</u> or website of Hon'ble NGT)to ensure that all existing, new and expansion Industries/projects extracting ground water should obtain permission from Central Ground Water Authority subject to law in force.

All the industrial units/ Infrastructure/Mining projects whether existing or new or under expansion, using ground water are directed to submit their applications with due recommendation of State Pollution Control Board along with ground water quality analysis report, rain water harvesting proposal, flow charts of water balance, effluent discharge treatment plan, details of water supply from other sources and in accordance with the CGWA guidelines placed on the website of CGWB. The Industries/Projects also are directed to submit their applications online. For any further details/clarifications the ground water users are advised to contact the nearest office of the CGWB. Non-compliance of directions of Hon'ble NGT will warrant closure of industries, operation or process or stoppage of supply of electricity or water or any other service, in addition to imposition of costs by Hon'ble NGT for violation of directions. The CGWA has issued public notices dated 14.11.2015 and dated 29.04.2016, in this connection but several industries/projects using ground water have not complied with the directions of Hon'ble NGT. The Industries/Projects are hereby given last opportunity to submit their applications for NOC latest by 31.03.2017, failing which the penal provisions under section 15 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 can be invoked against industries/projects violating the directions.

CHAIRMAN Dt. 04.01.2017