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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**  
**(HSM Division)**

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Dated: 11.03.2022

**Sub: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 2760 kg (80 flasks) mercury from Peru to India by M/S KBNM Metals Private Limited.**

Sir,

Kindly refer the letter of Pollution Control Department, Peru vide No. no.2020010791 dated 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 for seeking consent to the import of mercury of 34,500 kg (1000 flasks) to the exporter Mercantil S.A from Peru to India.

2. The National Focal Point India vide PIC and Form-A dated 19.3.2021 and 7.02.2022 has furnished the consent to import 3450 kg and 8625 kg out of 34,500 kg, respectively as proposed by the exporting party.

3. The application of the importer (M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd.) has been examined. Accordingly, the consent for import of mercury for the quantity of 2760 kg (80 flasks equivalent) in addition to the PIC granted dated 19.3.2021 and 7.02.2022 is hereby provided in the Form-A (*as enclosed*) for allowable use in manufacture of mercury based salts and thermometers.

**Encl.:** As stated.

Yours sincerely,



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Additional Secretary &

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## FORM A

**Form for the provision of written consent by a Party to the import of mercury**  
(This form is not required by the Convention in cases where the importing Party has provided a general notification of consent in accordance with article 3, paragraph 7)

<b>Section A: Contact information to be provided by the importing Party</b>	
Name of Party:	India
Name of designated national focal point:	Mr. Naresh Pal Gangwar, Additional Secretary
Address:	Hazardous Substances Management Division, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003.
Tel:	(+91) 1120819247
Fax:	
E-mail:	<a href="mailto:asnpg.mefcc@gov.in">asnpg.mefcc@gov.in</a>

<b>Section B: Contact information to be provided by the exporting Party or non-Party</b>	
Name of Party or non-Party:	PERU
Name of designated national focal point or responsible government official:	Mr. Jorge Mariano Guillermo Castro Sánchez-Moreno, Punto Focal Político, Viceminstra de Gestión Ambiental
Address:	Av. Antonio Miroquesada N° 425. Urb. San Felipe, Magdalena del Mar, Lima, Perú
Tel:	(+511) 611 6000 anexo 1023.
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E-mail:	<a href="mailto:mcastrosm@minam.gob.pe">mcastrosm@minam.gob.pe</a> , <a href="mailto:ssqq@minam.gob.pe">ssqq@minam.gob.pe</a> , <a href="mailto:mverastegui@minam.gob.pe">mverastegui@minam.gob.pe</a> , <a href="mailto:llinares@minam.gob.pe">llinares@minam.gob.pe</a> ; <a href="mailto:ssqq@minam.gob.pe">ssqq@minam.gob.pe</a> ; <a href="mailto:msamanez@rree.gob.pe">msamanez@rree.gob.pe</a>

**Guidance for sections A and B**


For a Party, the contact is the national focal point designated in accordance with article 17. A Party may in some cases have a specific contact for purposes of trade in mercury. In both of these cases the contact information would be made publicly available by the Secretariat. If neither of the above is in place, communication will be effected through the Party's ministry of foreign affairs, for instance through its permanent mission in Geneva.

In the case of non-Parties, it is their responsibility to determine who their responsible government officials will be.

<b>Section C: Shipment information to be provided by the exporting country</b>	
Please indicate the approximate total quantity of mercury to be shipped:	2760 kg (80 flasks equivalent)
Please indicate the approximate date of shipment:	March 2022 – August 2022
Please indicate if the mercury is from primary mercury mining:	No.
Please indicate if the mercury has been determined by the exporting Party to be excess mercury from the decommissioning of chlor-alkali facilities:	No.
(If the exporting country is a non-Party, the importing Party shall also request that Form C be completed.)	
<p><b>Guidance</b></p> <p>Information regarding the approximate total quantity of mercury to be shipped allows the importing country to make an informed decision about any shipment to which it is consenting, while the approximate date of shipping assists in any effort to track the shipment that the country may wish to undertake.</p> <p>If the mercury is sourced from primary mercury mining it may not be used for artisanal and small-scale gold mining but it may be used, for a limited time as set out in paragraph 4 of article 3, for the manufacturing of mercury-added products in accordance with article 4 or in manufacturing processes in accordance with article 5. It may also be disposed of in accordance with article 11 using operations that do not lead to recovery, recycling, reclamation, direct reuse or alternative uses.</p> <p>If the mercury has been determined by the exporting Party to be excess mercury from the decommissioning of chlor-alkali facilities the Party is to take measures to ensure that it is disposed of in accordance with the guidelines for environmentally sound management referred to in paragraph 3 (a) of article 11, using operations that do not lead to recovery, recycling, reclamation, direct reuse or alternative uses.</p> <p>If the mercury is to be disposed of, the procedures for transboundary movements of waste set out in article 11 (3) (c) of the Convention shall be followed. In such cases this form cannot be used.</p> <p>When the exporting country is a non-Party, the importing Party shall not allow shipment where the mercury originates from one of these two sources, unless it has applied paragraph 9 of article 3.</p>	

<b>Section D: Information to be provided by the importing Party</b>	
What is the purpose of the import of the mercury? Please select YES or NO:	
Environmentally sound interim storage in accordance with article 10:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes, please specify the intended use if known.	
Mercury will be used in manufacturing mercury salts and thermometers.	
Use allowed to a Party under the Convention:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
If yes please specify additional details about the intended use of the mercury.	
Mercury salts and thermometers manufacturing is allowable use under the Convention.	
<p><b>Mercury is transported un UN-approved Flasks (34.5 kg each). It will be shipped to end user that will use the mercury for producing the following;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mercury salts</li> <li>• Thermometers</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Guidance</b></p> <p>This information is to state the purpose of the import of mercury, in accordance with paragraph 6 (a) of article 3. An indication is to be given as to whether the imported mercury is intended for environmentally sound interim storage in accordance with article 10 or whether it is intended for a use allowed to a Party under the convention. If the mercury is intended for interim storage, information on the intended use, if known, is to be provided. If the response to these questions is 'yes', then the importing Party is asked to provide further details on the intended use. Please note that the source of the mercury may restrict the use allowed for the mercury under paragraph 4 and paragraph 5 (b) of article 3 (see guidance box under Section C).</p> <p>Before issuing consent, Parties are to determine whether appropriate arrangements are in place in accordance with the Convention.</p>	

<b>Section E: Shipping information, as appropriate</b>	
<b>Importer</b>	
Name of business:	The M/s KBNM Metals Pvt Ltd.
Address:	Plot No. Block 29; N0.945/C-2, Industrial Area C, Sua Road, Kanganwal P.O. Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana -141014.
Tel:	+91-9592099806 / +91-161-4272727
Fax:	
E-mail:	brbhardwaj5@gmail.com
<b>Exporter</b>	
Name of business:	Mercantil S.A.
Address:	Jr. Santorín N° 243 Urb. El Vivero, Santiago de Surco, Lima 33, Peru
Tel:	(+511)6181616 anexo 254
Fax:	
E-mail:	jpena@mercantil.com.pe ; importaciones@mercantil.com.pe
<b>Guidance</b> Shipping information should include details of both the importer and the exporter, including for each the name of the business and address, telephone, fax and e-mail contact information. This provides information to the focal point or responsible government official as to who may be contacted should there be any queries in relation to any shipment and also allows follow-up at the national level with regard to the shipment.	

<b>Section F: Indication of consent by the importing Party</b>	
Has consent been granted? Please select GRANTED or DENIED:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GRANTED <input type="checkbox"/> DENIED
Please use the space below to indicate any conditions, additional details or relevant information.	
Prior Informed Consent is granted for import of mercury for the quantity of 2760 kg (80 flasks) and shall be permitted for storage of maximum period of 18 months. Importer shall furnish the returns on supply to the end users.	
Signature of importing party designated national focal point and date	
Name:	Mr. Naresh Pal Gangwar
Title:	Additional Secretary to Govt. of India and National Focal Point of India for Minamata Convention.
Signature:	 (नरेश पाल गंगवार) (NARESH PAL GANGWAR) अपर सचिव/Additional Secretary पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय M/o Environment, Forest and Climate Change भारत सरकार, नई दिल्ली Govt. of India, New Delhi
Date:	11.03.2022
<b>Guidance</b> This should be the contact point as indicated in section A of this form.	