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

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Dated: 02.07.2025

**Subject: Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of 24,150 kg (700 flasks) mercury from Peru to India by M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to your applications dated 05.06.2025 and 11.06.2025 for seeking Prior Informed Consent (PIC) from National Focal Point (NFP) of Minamata Convention, India for importing mercury total 24,150 kg (700 flasks) of mercury from Peru to be supplied to M/s Macsen Fine Chem (300 flasks) and M/s Girgan Fine Chem Private Limited (400 flasks) for manufacture of mercury salts.

2. NFP, Peru has provided Form A for 60,000 kg (~1739 flasks) mercury vide letter dated 14.06.2024 out of which MoEF&CC has issued two PICs for import of total 17,422.5 kg (505 flasks) vide letters dated 03.12.2024 (450 flasks) and 24.02.2025 (55 flasks). 42,577.5 kg (~1234 flasks) is available for grant of PIC from the said Form A.

3. It has been noted that M/s Macsen Fine Chem has obtained Consent to Operate (CTO) from Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board to manufacture mercury salts, namely Mercuric Iodide, Mercuric Nitrate, Mercuric Oxide and Mercuric Sulphate, dated: 26.10.2023 and valid till 31.07.2028.

4. The maximum mercury usage according to the data of the past three years for M/s Macsen Fine Chem is 37,882 kg (approx. 1098 flasks) for production of 44,690 kg mercury salts (FY 2022-23).

5. Ministry has issued PICs for import of total 39,330 kg (1140 flasks) to be supplied to M/s Macsen Fine Chem. Further, 862.5 kg (25 flasks) has been re-appropriated to M/s Macsen Fine Chem from the PIC given for other end-users.

6. Mercury request letter from M/s Macsen Fine Chem to procure 10350 kg (300 flasks) of mercury from the importer (M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd.) is available vide letter dated 05.06.2025.

7. M/s Girgan Fine Chem has obtained CTO from Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board (MPCB) for manufacturing mercury salts (Consent No.: 2022-2023/Bhiwadi/8072, valid for a period from 18.06.2022 to 31.05.2027).

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8. Mercury consumption by M/s Girgan Fine Chem was 18,423 kg (534 flasks) in the FY 2023-24 to manufacture 19,557 kg of mercury salts.

9. Ministry has issued PICs for import of total 38,433 kg (1114 flasks) to be supplied to M/s Girgan Fine Chem. Further, 2208 kg (64 flasks) has been re-appropriated to M/s Girgan Fine Chem from the PIC given for other end-users.

10. Mercury request letter from M/s Girgan Fine Chem to procure 13,800 kg (400 flasks) of mercury from the importer (M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd.) is available vide letter dated 19.02.2025.

11. Imported mercury has been proposed to be stored at M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd., Ludhiana. M/s KBNM Metals Pvt Ltd. has obtained Consent for storage of mercury from Punjab Pollution Control Board vide Consent to Operate dated 25.10.2023 and valid till 30.06.2028.

12. The Ministry has examined the application. **Approval of the National Focal Point of the Minamata Convention for India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is hereby conveyed for grant of Prior Informed Consent (PIC) for import of mercury i.e., 24,150 kg (700 flasks) by M/s KBNM Metals Pvt. Ltd. to be supplied to M/s Macsen Fine Chem (300 flasks) and M/s Girgan Fine Chem Private Limited (400 flasks).**

13. The following conditions are stipulated for compliance by the importer:

- i. The import shall be only for the intended use as allowed under the Minamata Convention on Mercury.
- ii. In case of any illegal imports, the consignment will have to be sent back to the exporting country and the importer shall bear the cost for the same.
- iii. The import shall be regularly monitored by the concerned SPCBs/PCCs and the Ministry shall be kept informed.
- iv. In case, the importer supplies it to other end user(s), if the end user in the present application does not take the full quantity, the importer shall provide the details of the end user(s) as prescribed in the Form 'X' before the mercury is supplied to the end user(s) who meet(s) all the conditions as laid out in Form 'X'.
- v. Importer shall file returns to the Ministry and concerned SPCB/PCC for the quantity of mercury supplied to end user(s) within 6 months from the date of import or within 3 months from the date of supply to the end user. In case of non-supply of mercury to end user, the status of storage shall be submitted within 6 months from the date of import.
- vi. Importer shall be allowed for future imports only upon submission of statement regarding the supply/consumption/utilisation of imported mercury.

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- vii. Mercury shall be supplied to the ASU drug manufacturers those who have either valid licence under the Drug and Cosmetic Rules, 1945 or Consent to Operate from concerned State Pollution Control Board.
- viii. The importer shall collect the latest annual record (Schedule TA) regarding consumption of mercury as specified as submitted under Drug and Cosmetics Rules, 1945.
- ix. The importer shall obtain an undertaking (as enclosed) duly filed by the ASU drug manufacturer for supply of mercury.
- x. Importer shall furnish the quantity of mercury supplied to ASU drug manufacturers along with the above mentioned documents to MoEF&CC and concerned State Pollution Control Board within 3 months of supply to the user.
- xi. Any non-compliance of these conditions by the importer will attract penal action under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 including debarring future import permissions.
14. The consent is valid for the above-mentioned consignment/quantities and can be used one time only. The approval is subject to the provision of information by Exporting Party as contained in Section C of Form A.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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2. The Director General of Foreign Trade, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi
3. The Central Board of indirect Taxes & Customs, Dept. of Revenue
4. The Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the transport of mercury

5. The Member Secretary, Punjab Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the transport and storage of mercury
6. The Member Secretary, Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board-with a request to monitor the transport and consumption of mercury
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