

Decision of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change with respect to import and export of hazardous and other waste under the Hazardous and other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as approved by the Competent Authority on the basis of recommendation of 136th Meeting of Expert Committee (EC) held on 20th August, 2024

PROCEEDINGS

136th Meeting of Expert Committee (EC) for Appraisal of Applications for Import/Export of hazardous and other wastes with reference to Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time held on 20th August, 2024 through Hybrid mode under the chairmanship of Shri Sudhir Srivastava.

Opening Remarks of the Chairman: The Chairman extended welcome to members and other participants and requested to start the proceeding as per the agenda adopted for this meeting.

Consideration of Proposals: The EC considered the proposals as per agenda adopted for the meeting. The details of deliberations held and decisions taken in the meeting are as under:

AGENDA NO. 1. IMPORT OF LEAD SCRAP/ BATTERY SCRAP (B1020/A1160)

1.1. Request for removal of condition i.e. "Prior Informed Consent from the Exporting Countries Required" by M/s Eswari Global Metal Industries Pvt Ltd, Karnataka, Pilot Industries, Alwar and Ardee Industries, Andhra Pradesh.

M/s Eswari Global Metal Industries Pvt Ltd, Karnataka, Pilot Industries, Alwar and Ardee Industries, Andhra Pradesh has requested to reconsider the condition for Basel no. that fall under Part 'A' of Schedule III in the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) (HOWM) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time which mandates the Prior Informed Consent (PIC) from exporting country for import of hazardous waste. Further, applicants submitted that as per the Basel convention procedures prior informed consent from the importing country is required. It is mentioned that the purpose of Basel convention is to ensure that the hazardous waste is recycled in an environmental sound recycling facility and the importing country is aware of the import of the waste. Since, MoEFCC has given permission only to environmentally sound recycling facility and without MoEFCC permission, copy people cannot import hazardous wastes. They further stated that the permission of MOEFCC for imports might be considered as a Prior Informed Consent from the importing country. Hence, it will avoid any redundancy.

The matter was discussed in 135th EC and the EC felt that more discussion is required on the matter. Therefore, the matter is again placed before the EC.

Recommendation: The committee noted that this is a provision in the rules and this has been in force for many years. The applicant pointed out that the exporters find it difficult to provide this as there is no provision in the rules of the exporting countries and authorities there do not respond easily to them. Since the

proposal involves an amendment to the rules, the committee after deliberation upon the proposal and hearing the views of applicants, recommended that the applicants may be asked to provide documentary evidence regarding the difficulties faced by them in the form of letter/email or any means of communication received from the exporters and authorities of the exporting country, efforts made by them, situation wrt some countries, etc. for further deliberation. Till then the matter is deferred.

1.2. M/s Chetan Alloys, Kathua, Jammu & Kashmir, (F. No. 23/140/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 15,832 MT Lead Scrap as per ISRI Code (Radio/Racks/Relay/Ropes/Rails/Rakes/Rents) (B1020). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Justification for import, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control equipment, Lead analysis report in soil, air, water, stack and blood of the workers. The Consent Order no. PCC/ digital/22062782214 of 2022 dated 14th November, 2022 is valid up to May, 2026 and Authorization No. PCC/ digital/H22062782214 of 2022 14th November, 2022 is valid up to May, 2026. The consented capacity for Lead and Lead Alloy Ingots – 15,832.45 MT/A. The date of establishment is 25th October, 2007. The actual date of operation is 30th June, 2017. The unit has working strength of more than 28 and may recruit 10-15 more. The production in last FY (2023- 2024) is 3,210.798 MT. The export was nil for FY (2023-24). The previous permission was given for the import of 1,830 MT of lead Scrap *vide* letter dated 21st December, 2022. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 1st July, 2022.

Recommendation: Based on the information and details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 1,784 MT of Lead Scrap as per ISRI Code (Radio/Racks/Relay/Ropes/Rails/ Rakes/ Rents) (B1020).

1.3. M/s Attero Recycling Pvt. Ltd, Haridwar, Uttarakhand (F.No.23/100/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 10,000 MT of Used Lithium ion battery cells & Nickel Battery and cells (B1090). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Justification for import, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control equipment, Lead analysis report in soil, air, water, stack and blood of the workers. The Consent Order No. and Authorisation No UKPCB/HO/Con/A-124/2023/131 dated 06th May, 2023 is valid up to 30th September, 2026. The consented capacity for Lithium Carbonate & products -150 MT/m & Nickel & Nickel product – 30 MT/m. The date of establishment is 27th February, 2008. The actual date of operation is 28th May, 2009. The unit has working strength of more than 117 employees. The production in last FY (2023-2024) is 61,390 MT of Li-ion Battery and Cells & Nickel Battery and Cells and Electronic waste. The collection and recycling of Li Ion batteries was around 350 MT. The export was nil in FY (2023-24). The previous permission was given for the import of 2,000 MT of lithium ion battery *vide* letter dated 16th August, 2022. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 14th July, 2022.

Recommendation: The committee noted that significant quantities of waste are being generated in the country and an EPR regime is already in place for battery waste. Recycling of this waste and success

of EPR is critically dependent on the waste collectors/ waste collecting agencies having an adequately remunerative market for the collected waste. At the same time, cognizance has to be taken of the fact that adequate collection linkages are yet to be fully developed and existing recycling capacity must have access to adequate waste. Based on the information and details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 5,000 MT of Used Lithium ion battery cells & Nickel battery and cells (B1090). Committee also recommended that the applicant may be advised to utilize domestic waste to the maximum extent possible and submit six monthly report to the Ministry.

1.4. M/s ShriSons Revival Private Limited, Nagpur, Maharashtra (F. No. 23/113/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 5,540 MT of Lead Scrap/Battery Scrap (A1010). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Justification for import, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control equipment, Lead analysis report in soil, air, water, stack and blood of the workers. The Consent Order No. BO/MPCB/RO(HQ)/CH/CO/B- 2012001247 dated 29th December, 2020 is valid up to 31st January, 2025 and Authorisation no MPCB/RO(HQ)/HSMD/Auth/19/H&OW-92 dated 14th February, 2020 is valid up to 31st January, 2025. The consented capacity for Lead & Lead Ingots is 3,600 MT, Lead Oxide is 400 MT/M and Red Lead is 100 MT/M. The date of establishment is 24th May, 2018. The actual date of operation is 29th December, 2020. The unit has working strength of 32 no. of employees. The production in last FY (2023-2024) is 470.5 MT. The export was Nil in FY (2023-24). The previous permission was given for the import of 1,000 MT of lead Scrap *vide* letter dated 31st August, 2022. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 22nd May, 2022.

The matter was discussed in 135th meeting of EC and the committee Based on the information and details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 392 MT of Lead Scrap/Battery Scrap (A1160, A1010, A1170) after one-time verification by CPCB regard and the ability of the unit to effectively handle the quantity of Rains and Rink sought to be imported. Now, the applicant has requested that they only want to import Lead Scrap (Radio, Rakes, Racks, Ropes, Rails, Rents, Relay) only and request to waive off site visit for RINK and RAINS as they have not installed Automatic Battery Breaking System and Separation units.

Recommendation: Based on the information and details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 261 MT of Lead Scrap (Radio/Racks/Relay/Ropes/Rails/ Rakes/ Rents) (B1020).

1.5. M/s Etasha Batteries P Ltd., Rangareddy, Telangana (F. No. 23/101/2022-HSM).

The applicant has requested to include Lead dross, Roses, Rono, Roper, Lead acid accumulators, Lead Powder & flakes in previous permission granted for import of 3,870 MT of Lead Scrap (B1020) (Radio/Racks/Relay/Ropes/ Rails/ Rakes/ Rents) *vide* letter dated 10th November, 2023.

The matter was discussed in 135th meeting of EC and the committee after deliberation on the proposal, recommended to include Lead dross, Roses, Lead acid accumulators, Lead Powder

& flakes (Basel No. B1020), Rono, Roper, (A1160) in the previous permission granted for import of 3,870 MT of Lead Scrap (B1020) (Radio/Racks/Relay/Ropes/ Rails/ Rakes/ Rents) vide letter dated 10th November, 2023, subject to verification of availability of suitable technology/process in this regard and the ability of the unit to effectively handle the quantity by CPCB.

Now, they have requested to only add lead dross in the previous permission letter and requested that they do not want site visit by CPCB and addition of Rono and Roper.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended to include Lead dross (Basel No. B1020), in the previous permission granted for import of 3,870 MT of Lead Scrap (B1020) (Radio/Racks/Relay/Ropes/ Rails/ Rakes/ Rents) vide letter dated 10th November, 2023.

1.6. M/s AL-Kaviz Industries Private Limited, U.S. Nagar, Uttarakhand (F. No. 23/40/2024-HSMD).

The applicant has requested to include ISRI Code: RAINS & RINK in their previous permission granted for import of 1,483 MT of Lead Scrap (ISRI Code: Rails/Rents/Radio/Rakes/ Ropes/ Relay/ Racks) (B1020) vide permission letter dated 16th May, 2024.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended to include RAINS (A1160) with not more than 2% of liquid/electrolyte by weight in a given lot/consignment/container) and RINK (A1160) in their previous permission granted for import of 1,483 MT of Lead Scrap (ISRI Code: Rails/Rents/Radio/ Rakes/ Ropes/ Relay/ Racks) (B1020) vide permission letter dated 16th May, 2024, subject to verification of availability of suitable technology/process in this regard and the ability of the unit to effectively handle the quantity by CPCB. Further, the quantity of import of RINK will be limited to 50% of the total import quantity recommended. The Basel code A1160 is permitted subject to the Prior Informed Consent (PIC) of the exporting country.

AGENDA NO. 2: IMPORT OF USED RUBBER TYRES SCRAP (BASEL NO. B3140/B3080/B3040)

Initial Discussion: The committee was apprised that during the process of approval of minutes of 87th meeting of TRC, query was raised by the competent authority regarding rationale behind ad-hock quantity permission of 1,500 MT of waste tyre/rubber to new industry who have recently started production irrespective of consented capacity. In this regard to make the policy more reasonable, it was proposed that the new units may be allowed tyre waste import quantity 10% of their consented capacity, subject to maximum of 1,500 MT. In later years, however, the quantity will be allowed based on the actual production of the unit as per the prevalent policy. The same was approved by the competent authority.

Committee noted the above decision and decided to follow this criterion from this meeting onward.

2.1 M/s Alive Casters India, Gurdaspur, Punjab (F.No.23/100/2023-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 5,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap/tube scrap (B 3080 & B3140). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. CTOA/Fresh/GRP/2023/21151711 dated 19th February, 2023 is valid upto 31st December, 2026 and authorization No. HWM/Fresh/GRP/2023/21428806 dated 15th March, 2023 is valid up to 31st December, 2027. The consented capacity for Crumb rubber is 25 MT/day. The actual date of operation is 19th February, 2023. The unit has working strength of 18 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 1,500 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 01st December, 2023. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 2,592 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 277.778 KVA and electricity bill paid amount of Rs.20,56,170/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs.1,18,21,142/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB in 23rd September 2023.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 1,728 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of crumb rubber.

2.2 M/s Coastal Rubbers, Prakasam, Andhra Pradesh (F. No. 23-29/2015-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 10,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B3080&B3140). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No CCA No P-112/APPCB/ZO/-VJA/ CFO/ W&A/ 2013-1096 dated 09th August, 2017 is valid upto 31st July, 2027. The consented capacity for crumb rubber is 39 Tons/day. The date of establishment is 01st January, 2012. The actual date of operation is 2nd November, 2013. The unit has working strength of 14 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 3,124 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 5th August, 2022. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 3,465.30 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 250 KVA and electricity and fuel bill paid amount of Rs.55,75,244/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs.54,48,840/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB in 29th June, 2019.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 2,310 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of crumb rubber. The 50% of the quantity recommended above (i.e. 1,155 MT) may be granted now and the remaining 50% quantity (i.e. 1,155 MT) may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

2.3 M/s Swani Rubber Industries, Mohali, Punjab (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 5,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B3080/B3140). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. CTOA/Renewal/SAS/2022/18396259 dated 31st May, 2022 is valid up to 31st October, 2026 and authorization No HWM/Fresh/SAS/2023/23341783 dated 12th September, 2023 11th September, 2028. The consented capacity of old tyre rubber scrap is 20 MT/day. The date of establishment is 10th October, 1970. The actual date of operation is 10th October, 1970. The unit has working strength of 54 no. of employees. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 3,928.75 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 1,502.41 KW and electricity and fuel bill paid amount of Rs.2,04,45,444/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs.1,70,95,680/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 2,618 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3080/B3140) for manufacturing of reclaim Rubber. The above recommended quantity may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

2.4 M/s Kartar Reclamations, Ludhiana, Punjab (New application).

The application pertains to import of 5,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. CTOA/Fresh/LDH1/2023/23809596 dated 16th October, 2023 is valid up to 30th September, 2030 and authorization No. HWM/Fresh/LDH1/2024/24926350 dated 27th February, 2024 is valid up to 31st March, 2029. The consented capacity for scrap tyres is 50.08 T/day. The date of establishment is 09th May, 2022. The actual date of operation is 16th October, 2023. The unit has working strength of 26 no. of employees.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 1,500 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080). The above recommended quantity may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

2.5 M/s Jai Ambe Rubber Products Pvt. Ltd, Chennai, Tamil Nadu (F. No. 23/12/2022- HSM).

The application pertains to import of 40,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. 2108137482502 dated 14th March, 2021 is valid upto 31st March, 2025 and authorization No. 20HFC30939109 dated 15th June, 2020 is valid up to 14th June, 2025. The consented capacity for Crumb Rubber/ Mulch Rubber is 49,200 MT/A. The date of establishment is 03rd December, 2019. The actual date of operation is 12th January, 2020. The unit has working strength of 31 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 14,360 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 16th

January, 2024. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 28,469.89 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 285 KVA and respective electricity bill paid amount of Rs.61,67,679/- & Diesel is Rs.43,32,015/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs.19,37,73,689/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 27th November, 2021.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 10,370 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B 3080) for manufacturing of crumb rubber/ Mulch rubber.

2.6 M/s Green Global Technologies, Vadodara, Gujarat (F. No. 23/75/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 25,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. GPCB/VAD/TECH/ID – 73950/5726/2020 dated 28th May, 2020 is valid up to 31st December, 2024. The consented capacity for Rubber Mulch/Chips/Granules/Powder Mesh is 6,410 MT/M. The date of establishment is 11th December, 2019. The actual date of operation is 03rd April, 2020. The unit has working strength of 23 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 15,820 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 13th June, 2024. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 23,515.05 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 340 KWH and respective electricity bill paid amount of Rs.1,61,70,650/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs.5,06,94,002/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 10th February, 2022.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 15,676 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of Rubber Mulch/Chips/Granules/Powder.

2.7 M/s Eric Rubber, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Vadodara, Gujarat (F. No. 23/7/2021-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 40,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. Amendment No- CCA No. GPCB/RO-ABD (E)/ GEN-17121/ID – 76956/2021/16246 dated 02nd July, 2021 is valid up to 05th June, 2025. The consented capacity for Crumb rubber is 5,000 MT/Month and Tyre Chips is 2,000 MT/Month. The date of establishment is 12th September, 2019. The actual date of operation is 30th June, 2020. The unit has working strength of 13 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 12,740 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 03rd October, 2023. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 17,560 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 210 KWH and electricity bill paid amount of Rs.8896149/- & fuel consumption is Rs.33,48,959/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs.2,68,84,162.11/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 10th December, 2021.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 11,707 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of rubber crumb & Tyre Chips.

2.8 M/s Thiram Industries Pvt. Ltd, Erode, Tamil Nadu (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 5,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B3080 & B 3140). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. 2404256770249 dated 03rd May, 2024 is valid upto 31st March, 2026 and authorization No. 24HFC50630290 dated 05th August, 2024 is valid upto 31st March, 2029. The consented capacity for Rubber Mulch / Crumb / Chips is 7,083 Ton/M. The date of establishment is 18th March, 2023. The actual date of operation is 03rd May, 2024. The unit has working strength of 36 no. of employees.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 1,500 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3080/B3140) for manufacturing of Rubber Mulch / Crumb / Chips. Further, the above recommended quantity may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

2.9 M/s Kapra Rubber Flooring Pvt. Ltd, Mahesana, Gujarat (F. No. 23/53/2024-HSM).

The application pertains to import of 20,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. AWH- 67823 dated 25th October, 2023 is valid up to 08th October, 2024. The consented capacity for Crumb Rubber Granules is 4,800 MT/m & Rubber Flooring Tiles is 1,000 MT/m. The date of establishment is 01st February, 2017. The actual date of operation is 07th September, 2023. The unit has working strength of 15 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 8,020 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 04th August, 2024. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 16,490 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 350 KVA and electricity bill paid is Rs. 1,14,68,751/- & fuel bill paid amount of Rs. 11,12,169/- in FY 2023-2024. GST of Rs. 3,16,77,683/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 02nd February, 2024.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 10,993 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of Crumb Rubber Granules.

2.10 M/s ECO Crumbs & Reclaim Private Limited, Pune, Maharashtra (F.No. 23/141/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 20,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. CCA No. RO-Nashik/Consent/2202001350 dated 21st February, 2022 is valid upto 28th February, 2028. The consented capacity for Tyre Crumb/Granules/Mulch is 17,000 MT/M. The date of establishment is 14th August, 2020. The actual date of operation is 22 February, 2022. The unit has working strength of 24 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 4,850 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 07th July, 2023. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 16,526.03 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 340 KW and Electricity bill paid Rs.55,82,481/- & fuel bill paid- Rs.61,00,000/- in FY 2023-24 .The GST of Rs.2,32,40,278.65/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 08th September, 2022.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 10,329 MT, of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (& B3080 & B3140) for manufacturing of rubber crumb /Granules/Mulch.

2.11 M/s Ganapati Recycling, Pune, Maharashtra (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 5,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. Format1.0/SRO/UAN No.0000202829/CO/2404001583 dated 22nd April, 2024 is valid up to 28th February, 2027. The consented capacity for Rubber Chips is 6,000 MT/Y & Granules of crumb rubber is 6,000 MT/Y. The date of establishment is 08th September, 2023. The actual date of operation is 22th April, 2024. The unit has working strength of 11 no. of employees.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 1,200 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of rubber chips & granules of crumb rubber. Further, the above recommended quantity may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

2.12 M/s Samsara Recycling Pvt. Ltd, Kachchh, Gujarat (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 5,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140 & B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. AWH- 71459 dated 28th March, 2024 is valid up to 11th March, 2031. The consented capacity for Crumb Rubber is 7,000 MT/month. The date of establishment is 25th July, 2023. The actual date of operation is 28th March, 2024. The unit has working strength of 18 no. of employees.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 1,500 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of crumb rubber. Further, The above recommended quantity may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

2.13 M/s Chaitanya Malahar Crumbs and Reclaim Pvt. Ltd, Pune, Maharashtra (F. No. 23/62/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 20,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B 3140/B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. and authorization No. Format1.0/RO/UAN No.0000188525/CR/2312002807 dated 29th December, 2023 is valid up to 31st December, 2025. The consented capacity for Tyre Crumbs/Granules/Mulch is 8,640 MT/M. The date of establishment is 02nd August, 2020. The actual date of operation is 02nd February, 2021. The unit has working strength of 22 employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 4,950 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 06th July, 2023. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 13,095 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 248 KW and electricity bill paid is Rs.13,67,783/- & fuel bill paid is Rs.75,88,923/- in FY 2023-24. The GST of Rs.1,80,90,152/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 19th January, 2022.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 8,040 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap (B3140) for manufacturing of mesh rubber crumb.

2.14 M/s Haryana Rubber Industries, Jhajjar, Haryana (F.No.23/96/2021-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 20,000 MT of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap /tube scrap (B3140 & B 3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The Consent to Operate No. HPCB/Consent /: 329805023JHACTO31704173 dated 10th January, 2023 is valid upto 31st March, 2027 and authorization No. HWM/JHA/2023/37231003 dated 22nd May, 2023 is valid up to 31st March, 2027. The consented capacity for Rubber Chips granules and Crumb is 200 MT /day. The date of establishment is 02nd August, 2020. The actual date of operation is 02nd February, 2021. The unit has working strength of 22 no. of employees. The previous permission was given for the import of 12,410 MT of Used Rubber Tyre Scrap vide letter dated 07/07/2023 & 01/04/2024. The production in last FY (FY 2023-24) is 21,310 MT. The export is Nil. The unit having connected load of 248 KW and electricity bill paid is Rs.1,17,57,244/- & fuel bill paid is Rs.27,25,716/- in FY 2023-24 .The GST of Rs.3,38,06,017/- was paid by the applicant during FY 2023-2024. The site visit was conducted by CPCB on 23rd January, 2024.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted and GST & electricity paid by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 14,206 MT of Old/Used

rubber tyre scrap (B3140 & B3080) for manufacturing of Rubber Chips granules and Crumb.

2.15 M/s Star Trading House, Pune, Maharashtra (new application).

The application pertains to import of 10,000 MT of used rubber tyres scrap/ tube scrap manufacturing of rubber products (B3140/B3080). The applicant has furnished Form 5, Process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control Equipment. The consolidated Consent to Operate and Authorization No. RO-PUNE/CONSENT/912000079 dated 3rd December, 2019 is valid up to 30th September, 2023. The annual consented capacity as per CTO is 70 MT per day for Rubber Products. The unit has work strength of 15 no. of employees.

The matter was discussed in 109th meeting of Expert Committee and the committee recommended import of total 1,500 MT of used rubber tyres scrap/tube scrap (B3140/B3080) for manufacturing of crumb rubber/reclaim rubber that may be granted after receipt of site visit report from CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC. However, if the report is not complying with SOP, the application may again be referred back to the EC.

Further, CPCB conducted visit and submitted report to the Ministry in July, 2022 suggesting some improvements to be done by the unit. Later on, after submitting improvements details by the unit, CPCB submitted final report to the Ministry in July, 2024 stating that the unit is now complying with SOP. Accordingly, the matter is placed before EC.

Recommendation: Based on the information/details submitted by the applicant, the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 1,500 of Old/Used rubber tyre scrap/tube scrap (B3140/B3080) for manufacturing of crumb rubber/reclaim rubber.

2.16 M/s SNR Reclamations Pvt. Ltd., Ludhiana, Punjab (F. No. 23-86/2015-HSMD).

The applicant has requested for the extension of validity period of previous permission granted for import of 9,320 MT of used rubber tyre scrap (B3080/B3140) vide letter dated 14th February, 2023 by at least 06 months. They have mentioned that due to disturbance in eastern Europe, they started late utilization of the permitted quantity and could only import 67% of the quantity and 33% quantity remained balance.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended extension of validity for 06 months from the date of expiry of the previous permission issued for import of 9,320 MT of used rubber tyre scrap/tube scrap (B3080/B3140) vide letter dated 14th February, 2023 i.e. up to 13th February, 2025. No further extension will be given.

AGENDA NO. 3. IMPORT OF SPENT CATALYST (B1120/B1130)/ANODE BUTTS(B2090)/PET FLAKES (B3011)

3.1 M/s Eastern Electrodes & Coke Private Limited, Kolkata, West Bengal. (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 15,000 MT of Used Anode Butt (B 2090). The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, chemical analysis report of the waste to be imported from accredited laboratory, process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control equipment and acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). The Consent to Operate No. and Authorisation No. WBPCB/4592434/2023 dated 23rd February, 2024 is valid up to 30th June, 2024. The consented / authorized capacity Electrode Carbon Paste of 1,500 Metric Tonnes/Month. The unit has work strength of 38 nos. of employees.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 5,000 MT of Used Anode Butts (B2090). Further, the above mentioned quantity may be granted after submission of site visit report by CPCB stating compliance of SOP without referring the application to the EC.

3.2 M/s Ravindra Heraeus Pvt. Ltd., Udaipur, Rajasthan (F. No. 23/27/2020-HSMD).

The applicant has requested for the extension of validity period of previous permission granted for import of 250 MT of Spent Catalyst containing precious metal (B1130) vide letter dated 17th February, 2023 by at least 06 months. They have mentioned that they were not able to secure imports but now they have orders for import.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended extension of validity for 06 months from the date of expiry of the previous permission issued for import of 250 MT of Spent Catalyst containing precious metal (B1130) vide letter dated 17th February, 2023 i.e. up to 16th February, 2025. No further extension will be given.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: IMPORT/ EXPORT OF USED ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ASSEMBLIES/ E-Waste (PCBs) (B1110)

Import of Used Electrical and Electronic assemblies:

4.1 M/s Wipro GE Healthcare Pvt. Ltd, Saradarmangala, Bangalore (F.No.5/26/2014-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 210.1 Tons (16,260 nos) (B1110) of Refurbished spare/parts/components for warranty replacement and to be re-exported after one year. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). The unit is expected to provide employment to around 750 persons. The

previous permission was granted for import of 3,607 Tons of used EEAs *vide* letter dated 12th January, 2024.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 210.1 Tons (16,260 Nos.) (B1110) of Refurbished spare/ parts/ components for warranty replacement (B1110) subject to the condition that the equivalent number of defective components will be re-exported annually. However, the EC also noted that the details regarding refurbishment of spare parts are not clear. Therefore, EC recommended that details of quality and serviceability of the refurbished spare parts may be obtained from the applicant, if readily available, and permission will be given after satisfactory reply without referring to the EC.

Export of Used Electrical and Electronic assemblies:

4.2 M/s Renu Recycling Company, Jhajjar, Haryana (F. No. 23/95/2022-HSMD).

The applicant has requested for the extension of validity period of previous permission granted for export of 1,250 MT of E-Waste (B1110) *vide* letter dated 22nd November, 2022 by at least 06 months. They have mentioned that due to unforeseen circumstances, including a shortage of goods and some internal issues within their company, they were unable to utilize the export license effectively during the period from April 2023 to March 2024 and could only export 650 MT of the quantity and 600 MT quantity is still balance.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended extension of validity for 06 months from the date of expiry of the previous permission issued for export of 1,250 MT of PCB Waste (B1110) *vide* letter dated 22nd November, 2022 i.e. up to 21st November, 2024. No further extension will be given.

Import of High End High Value Used Medical Devices

4.3 M/s Smith & Nephew Healthcare Private Limited, Mumbai, Maharashtra (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 50 functioning WEREWOLF Controller (Ablation System) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2017-2020, the residual life is 10 years.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 50 Nos. of functioning WEREWOLF Controller (Ablation System) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules,

2022 as amended from time to time. However, the EC also noted that though the adequate residual life of the machines is certified, they have not been refurbished. Therefore, EC recommended that details of their usage in the immediate past 12 months and breakdown history may be obtained, if readily available and permission will be given after satisfactory reply without referring to the EC.

4.4 M/s Mednob Healthcare, Madurai, Tamil Nadu (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 01 CT Scanner (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2012 and the residual life is 08-10 years.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 01 No of CT Scanner (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time. However, the EC also noted that though the adequate residual life of the machines is certified, they have not been refurbished. Therefore, EC recommended that details of their usage in the immediate past 12 months and breakdown history may be obtained, if readily available and permission will be given after satisfactory reply without referring to the EC.

4.5 M/s Medinnova Systems Private Limited, Vadodara, Gujarat (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 23 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2005-2019 and the residual life is 7-20 years. However, in case of 05 of the equipment, the residual life is only 06 years. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 06 persons.

Recommendation: The EC deliberated upon the issue and recommended the import of medical equipment with residual life more than 07 years as per existing policy. Accordingly, the EC after recommended import of only 18 Nos. of Refurbished/Used medical equipment (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time. However, the EC also noted that though the adequate residual life of the machines is certified, the details regarding their

refurbishment are not clear. Therefore, EC recommended that details of their usage in the immediate past 12 months and breakdown history may be obtained, if readily available and permission will be given after satisfactory reply without referring to the EC.

4.6 M/s CMED Radiology Pvt. Ltd, Noida, Uttar Pradesh (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 01 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (MRI) (B1110) for reuse purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2015 and the residual life is 10 years. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 06 persons

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 01 No of Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. MRI) (B1110) for reuse purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time.

4.7 M/s Argon Medical System LLP, Indore, M.P. (F. No. 23/80/2024-HSM).

The application pertains to import of 12 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (CT) (B1110). The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2017-18 and the residual life is 8-10 years, reconditioning is also done. The previous permission was granted for import of 05 CT *vide* letter dated 12th August, 2024. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 40 persons.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 12 Nos of Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. CT Scanner) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time.

4.8 M/s Ortho Clinical Diagnostics India Private Limited, Mumbai, Maharashtra (F.No. 23/88/2024-HSM).

The application pertains to import of 14 Refurbished/Used Medical equipment (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2012-18, the residual life is 11 years and the refurbishment is done. The previous permission was granted for import of 10

Refurbished/Used Medical equipment *vide* letter dated 14th August, 2024. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 25 persons.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 14 Nos of Refurbished/Used Medical equipment (B1110) [i.e. Chemiluminescent Immunoassay Analyser – 05, Clinical Chemistry Analyser/Chemiluminescent Immunoassay Analyser – 09] for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time.

4.9 M/s Blue Star Engineering & Electronic Limited., Thane, Maharashtra (F. No. 23/64/2024-HSM).

The application pertains to import of 06 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (MRI) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2010-2013 and the residual life is 10 years, No breakdown in past 12 years reported. The previous permission was granted for import of 12 Refurbished/Used medical equipment CT-10 and 02 MRI *vide* letter dated 14th August, 2024. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 20 persons.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 06 Nos. of Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. MRI) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time.

4.10 M/s Yagya Technology, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh (New Application).

The application pertains to import of 02 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (MRI) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2013-2014 and the residual life is 7-10 years. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 10 persons.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 02 Nos. of Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. MRI) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from

time to time. However, the EC also noted that in case of 01 of the machines, though adequate residual life is certified, it has not been refurbished. Details of its usage in the immediate past 12 months and breakdown history may be obtained, if readily available. Permission for 01 unit will be given immediately and 01 unit after satisfactory reply without referring to the EC.

4.11 M/s Mediser Scan Technology Private Limited, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh (F.No.23/59/2024- HSM).

The application pertains to import of 12 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. 9-CT & 3-MRI) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate, the manufacturing year is 2017-2018 and the residual life is 08-10 years. The previous permission was granted for import of 14 Refurbished/Used medical equipment CT-10 and 04 MRI vide letter dated 1st July, 2024. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 12 persons.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 12 Nos. of Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. CT-09 & MRI-03) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time. However, the EC also noted that though the adequate residual life of the machines is certified, they have not been refurbished. Therefore, EC recommended that details of their usage in the immediate past 12 months and breakdown history may be obtained, if readily available and permission will be given after satisfactory reply without referring to the EC.

4.3. M/s Radimage Technologies Pvt Ltd, Faridabad, Haryana (F.No.23/79/2024-HSM).

The application pertains to import of 09 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. 2 MRI & 7 CT) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back. The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). As per CE certificate the manufacturing year is 2018-2019 and the residual life is 9 -10 years. The previous permission was granted for import of 01 Refurbished/Used medical equipment PET-CT vide letter dated 12th August, 2024. The unit is expected to provide employment to around 58 persons

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended import of 09 Refurbished/Used medical equipment (i.e. 2 MRI & 7 CT) (B1110) for re-use purpose and not to be re-exported back, subject to the condition that this equipment will be disposed after the end of life as per the prevailing Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management & Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 as

amended from time to time and E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022 as amended from time to time.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: EXPORT OF SPENT CATALYST
(B1130/B1150)/OTHER WASTE**

5.1 M/s Chennai Recycling Services, Mogappair East, Chennai (New Application).

The application pertains to export 200 MT of Cadmium Scrap (B1020). The applicant has furnished Form 5, also provided Marine Policy No. OG-25-1501-1018-00000001 dated 15th April, 2024 is Valid up to 31st October, 2024 and authorization no. 24HFC53654635 dated 12th March, 2024 is valid up to 31st March, 2028. The annual capacity as per Authorization for B1020- Clean, uncontaminated metal scrap, including alloys, in bulk finished form (sheet, plates, beams, rods, etc.), of- Cadmium scrap is 146.6 T/ annum. The unit is expected to provide employment to 47 people.

The matter was considered in 135th EC meeting and the EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended export of 200 MT of Cadmium Scrap for recycling/ recovery purpose. However, while processing the file, it was observed that the applicant is not having CTO and Authorization in his name and want to export on behalf of M/s FS India Solar Ventures Private Limited, Chennai, Tamil Nadu and submitted all requisite documents in the name of M/s FS India Solar Ventures Private Limited including agreement between them. Further, the applicant vide email was asked to submit CTO/Authorization in the name of M/s Chennai Recycling Services. However, the applicant mentioned that since Chennai recycling services is not the generator of waste, no authorization is applicable, except MOEFCC's export authorization.

In view of the above, the matter is again placed before the EC for review of the decision taken in its 135th meeting

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended that export of 200 MT of Cadmium Scrap for recycling/ recovery purpose will only be allowed subject to submission of Valid Authorization under the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 in the name of the applicant i.e. M/s Chennai Recycling Services, Mogappair East, Chennai.

5.2 M/s Ecoverva Catcon Recycling Private Limited, Gurugram, Haryana (F.No.23/95/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to export 150 MT of catalytic converter (B1010/B1120/B1160/B1150). The applicant has furnished Form 5, also provided Marine Policy No2002/E/330613246/00/000 dated 23rd February, 2024 is Valid up to 22nd February, 2025 and authorization no. HWM/GUSO/2022/24454172 dated 15th June, 2022 is valid upto 14th June, 2027. The annual capacity as per Authorization for B1010 – 30 T/ annum, B1120 – 30 T /annum, B1150 – 9 T /annum, B1160 – 111 T /annum. The unit is expected to provide employment to 50 people. The previous permission was granted for import of 150 MT of Catalytic converter *vide* letter dated 3rd August, 2024.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal recommended export of 150 MT of catalytic converter (B1010/B1120/B1160/B1150) for recycling/recovery purpose.

AGENDA ITEM No. 6: OTHER ITEMS

6.1. Representation of M/s Finster Black Private Ltd Raigad, Maharashtra (F.No.27/09/2023-HSMD).

M/s Finster Black Private Ltd has mentioned that they have met the entire criterion by TRC for issuing us 3 years NOC for import of 50,000 TPA of tyre scrap as our raw material. I.e. for grant of NOC of import of 50,000 MT per annum of Used tyre scrap in baled/multicut form for a period of 3 years (Totaling 1,50,000 MT) for manufacturing of Recovered Carbon Black. Accordingly based on the commitment from Ministry they had made capex of 30 crores. They have also entered into a supply agreement for our raw material for the next 3 years from single source i.e. Westside export LLC in order to stabilize quality as all the scarp is sourced from a single origin & supplier. Hence in absence of NOC their contract with Westside export LLC will be under default and would have to pay a penalty of 3 million dollars. Further they state that Ministry already conducted 2 detailed 3 day audits of the facility and seen it operational and also verified sales turn over invoices etc. All the compliances were already seen by CPCB authenticating the same. The matter was considered in 126th EC held in September, 2023 and EC recommended 25,000 MT of Used tyre scrap (Basel No. 3080/3140/3040) in baled/multicut form for manufacturing of Recovered Carbon Black will be permitted on trial basis subject to the condition mentioned in the 76th TRC meeting. EC also recommended that a site visit by a sub Committee comprising of representative of MoEF&CC, CPCB, MPCB and 1 or 2 Members of Expert Committee will be done within 6 months to check and verify the intended use of imported waste tyre and based on satisfactory verification by the above sub committee, remaining quantity of 25,000 MT will be released this year. The committee also recommended that the issue of suitability of domestic tyre waste should be studied by CPCB in consultation with ATMA and other trade bodies, so that, if appropriate, a suitable requirement for use of domestic tyre waste should also be included. Further quantities within the overall quantities recommended by TRC will be considered by EC based on the above reports being satisfactory Since the applicant has requested the Ministry to keep commitment or approval made in 76th TRC and they are still ready for any inspection if required. Accordingly, the matter was placed before 130th EC for deliberation/decision.

The matter was discussed in 130th meeting of EC and the EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended that as per the decision of EC taken in its 126th meeting, applicant may provide the details of quantity imported w.r.t previous permission granted, production of recovered carbon black and list of buyers.

The applicant has provided the requisite details and also as recommended by EC in its in 126th EC held in September, 2023, site visit by the sub Committee comprising of representative of MoEF&CC, CPCB, MPCB and 1 Members of Expert Committee was also carried out and submitted its report to EC.

In view of the above, matter is placed before the EC for further deliberation/discussion.

Deliberation: The EC deliberated upon the report submitted by the sub-committee. EC further noted that the committee in its report concluded the following:

- (i) The Committee noted that M/s Finster Black is capable of manufacturing RCB and has used imported waste tyre for manufacturing of RCB.
- (ii) The committee recommends that all the Five Units including M/s Finster Black shall maintain the daily record of input raw material source (domestic or imported) and RCB produced (from domestic or imported waste).
- (iii) The committee also recommends that all Five Units have to provide separate boundary wall to make distinct campus of each of the unit and necessary direction may be given by the State Pollution Control Board in this regard.
- (iv) The Committee further recommended that while considering request of M/s Finster Black for import of waste tyre for RCB production, import permission given to their sister concerns may also be taken into consideration since they have procured major quantity of crumb rubber from their sister concerns.
- (v) The Committee suggested that Expert Committee (EC) may take into consideration point number (iv) above while considering quantity of waste tyre to be imported further for production of RCB.
- (vi) The Committee also suggested writing a letter to Maharashtra Pollution Control Board for ensuring adequate green belt as per consent conditions.

EC was also informed that during FY 2023-24, applicant had procured major quantity of crumb rubber (i.e. 19,000 MT) from their sister concerns.

Recommendation: After detailed deliberation upon the report submitted by the committee and hearing the views of applicant, the EC after considering point (iv) above, in line with the approved decision of the TRC, recommended that the permission for import of 50,000 MT of Used tyre scrap in baled/multicut form for production of Recovered Carbon Black (RCB) may be granted for 3 financial years i.e. for 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 subject to the submission of quarterly report by the applicant w.r.t. import of waste tyre, domestic procurement of waste tyre, RCB production and sales of RCB. EC also recommended that applicant may also be informed about other observation of sub-committee report and asked to ensure compliance of the same within three months. The committee further advised that separate boundary walls between different units are in any case needed as per consent conditions and the units may not wait for a separate direction from SPCB. EC further noted that to avoid double counting, any supply of material from sister concerns will not be allowed, and if done will be obviously deducted from the total permitted quantity. In view

of the fact that 25,000 tonnes of permission was given to this applicant in FY 2023-24 and similar quantity supplied from sister concerns, permission would actually be given for FYs 2024-25 & 2025-26, the remaining years.

6.2. Representation of M/s Agkem Impex Pvt. Ltd, Delhi regarding import of virgin Titanium Powder Alloys used in Dental Abutments currently being regarded as restricted item being placed all such power under waste category by DGFT/MoEF&CC.

M/s Agkem Impex Pvt. Ltd, Delhi vide letter dated 19th April, 2024 had requested Ministry to provide clarification regarding import of virgin Titanium powder alloy used for direct human implant abutment, as it is not waste material. They also inform that no waste material can be used for direct human implant other than only virgin titanium powder & its alloys. The applicant applied to DGFT with details for import of this virgin Titanium powder alloys. But DGFT have referred them to approach MoEF&CC for necessary NOC.

The matter was discussed in 133rd meeting of EC and the EC after deliberation on the proposal and hearing the views of applicant recommended that the applicant may provide the manufacturing process of virgin titanium powder from the company & country they want to import and also justify how it is different from the titanium powder mentioned under Basel No. B1031 of Part B Schedule-III of the HOWM Rules, 2016 as amended from time for further discussion/deliberation.

The applicant has provided the details and therefore matter was considered by EC for deliberation/discussion.

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal and details submitted by the applicant was of the opinion that in case applicant has provided documentary evidence issued by the manufacturer of the exporting country clearly indicating the nature/origin of titanium powder as virgin product and not produced from waste, it may be considered as virgin titanium powder and need not require import permission under Basel No. B1031 of Part B Schedule-III of the HOWM Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time. In all other cases, permission would be required.

AGENDA ITEM No. 7: ANY OTHER ITEMS WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

7.1 M/s Biorad Medisys Private Limited, Pune, Maharashtra. (F.No.23/68/2022-HSMD).

The application pertains to import of 2.4 MT/ Annum of Titanium Powder (Ti-6Al-4V-grade 23 45-106) (B1031). The applicant has furnished Form 5, justification for import, chemical analysis report of the waste to be imported from accredited laboratory, process flow chart indicating adequate pollution control equipment and acknowledgement for receipt of copy of application from concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) / Pollution Control Committee (PCC). The Consent to Operate No. and Authorisation CCA No. RO-PUNE/CONSENT/2012001432 dated 30th

December, 2020 is valid up to 31st November, 2024. The consented / authorized capacity Knee Prosthesis is 1200 No/Month, Hip Prosthesis is 1200 No/Month, Knee Implants is 3000 No/Month, HIP Implants is 3000 No/Month. The unit has work strength of 38 nos. of employees.

Deliberation: During the meeting EC was apprised that M/s Biorad Medisys Private Limited, Pune, Maharashtra had applied for import of Titanium Powder (Ti-6Al-4V-grade 23 45-106) (B1031) on the NSWS portal. However, due to some technical glitches their applications/additional information submitted was not visible on the portal and accordingly not listed in the agenda items uploaded on Ministry's website. Thereafter, applicant requested Ministry for inclusion of their applications and provided proof of application/additional details submitted on NSW portal (screen shot). In view, with permission of Chairman, the same was included in the Agenda Item and discussed:

Recommendation: The EC after deliberation on the proposal, recommended import of 2.4 MT of Titanium Powder (Ti-6Al-4V-grade 23 45-106) (B1031).

7.2. Permission for import of used/refurbished spare parts/components of high end high value medical equipment.

Deliberation: EC was apprised that some OEM/Medical Equipment Importer approached to the Ministry with requested to consider the import of used/refurbished spare parts/components of high-end high value medical equipment as Ministry has already allowing import of used/refurbished high end high value medical equipment as per the list provided by DGHS, MoH&FW. The committee has been giving permission to import used spare parts to some applicants, but in case of HEHV, a policy is needed to be formulated.

Recommendation: The EC noted that a uniform policy for import of used spare parts, for HEHV equipment's and also for other equipment's is needed and further deliberation is needed on the subject. May be put up in next meeting with necessary details.
