



Assam Pollution Control Board

(Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of Assam)



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(অসম চৰকাৰৰ বন, পৰিৱেশ আৰু জলবায়ু পৰিৱৰ্তন বিভাগ)

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Subject: — Auto-Renewal of Consents for all (Red, Orange & Green) categories of industries— Reg.

In order to reduce compliance burden and deregulation for Ease of Doing Business and also to ensure timely disposal of Consent Applications for issue of Consent to Operate Certificate, the Board hereby issues the following instructions on Auto-Renewal of Consent to Operate (CTO).

The Auto renewal will be applicable to the industries applying for the renewal of Consent to Operate at least 60 days before the expiry of the current consent validity. The unit needs to apply for auto renewal of Consent to Operate via CPCB developed Consent Management System.

The following revised guidelines shall be followed for implementation of Auto renewal of CTO:

A. The validity of CTO (under the Water Act and the Air Act) shall be renewed upon receipt of the following from the unit:

1. Prescribed consent fee as per the Govt. Notification No.ENG.26/2003/14 dated 12.11.2003, paid online.
2. Latest financial balance sheet showing Fixed Assets (CA certified).
3. Copy of the previous valid Consent order, Latest Monitoring Report.
4. Self-certification by the industry confirming compliance with all existing consent conditions and any Board directions issued from time to time.
5. Bank Guarantee equal to double the total consent fee payable.

B. Auto-renewal shall be issued for a maximum of 5 years.

C. Auto-renewal does not apply in the following cases:

- a) The existing consent order of the industry has already expired.
- b) Any alteration, expansion, modification, change in investment details or in production capacity and pollution load beyond what is permitted in the existing CTO.
- c) Issues related to the earlier consent are pending before the Appellate Authority or any court.
- d) Whose immediate preceding application has been refused.
- e) CTO applications that cannot be auto-renewed for the reasons above shall be processed under the regular (existing) procedure.

D. These criteria do not apply for the industries producing banned items in the state.

E. Auto-renewal of CTO shall be issued by ROs/ZOs/HO as per delegation of powers.

In this regard:

(a)The ROs shall:

- (i)Verify auto-renewal eligibility/requirements for all categories.
- (ii)Issue auto-renewal orders within 5 working days in the prescribed format for cases delegated to the RO's.
- (iii)Forward eligible applications that fall under ZO/HO powers to the respective office within 2 working days.
- (iv)Send weekly soft copies of all auto-renewals issued to the concerned ZO and HO.

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(b)The ZOs/HO shall:

- (i) Issue auto-renewal orders within 3 working days of receipt from the RO, in the prescribed format, as per their delegated powers.
- (ii)ZOs shall submit weekly copies of auto-renewals issued to the Board's Head Office.

F. The Board reserves the right to review, modify, revoke conditions and vary the validity period of CTO of industries.

G. If any false certification, non-compliance with conditions/directions, or deficiency in information is detected, the Board may withdraw the auto-renewed consent and take necessary action, including forfeiture of the Bank Guarantee.

G K Misra

Member Secretary

Memo No. IT/2/2025-IT-PCBA/41-A

Dated Guwahati, the 15th September, 2025

Copy To:

1. The Special Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam, Environment & Forests Deptt., Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind information.
2. The Commissioner, Industry & Commerce, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21 for kind information and necessary action.
3. P.A. to the Chairman, PCBA for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Chairman.
4. The Chief Env. Engineer, PCBA for information & necessary action.
5. All Zonal Head/Section Head, PCBA for information & necessary action.
6. All RO/RLO, PCBA – for information.

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