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INAGURATION OF CARE CENTRE

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The Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board enforces the Water (Prevention and Control Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control Pollution) Act, 1981 and various Rules under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. Industries/Local bodies who wish to apply for consent/authorization of the Board under these Acts and Rules have to submit application forms in prescribed formats. These application forms require certain general and technical details about the activity and certain documents to take the right decision on the application. At present applications for various consents/authorization are obtained from the concerned District Office and submitted to the same office.

Obtaining consent orders/ authorization by industries was found to be subject to delays. In many cases, incomplete applications or applications with vague / incomplete information or without the required documents, requiring clarifications, had to be returned causing delays. The District Offices of the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board do guide the industries / local bodies in filling the application. However, sufficient time was not given to make the applicant industries thorough with the application process. The Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, therefore, considered that there is a need to have a dedicated team to guide the industries in filling up the application and also to simplify and standardize the application submission process as well as to expedite the issue of consent orders. The Hon'ble Minister of Environment also made an announcement in the Legislative Assembly in 2009-10 that the TNPCCB would take positive action to expedite issue of consents and facilitate industries by setting up a 'Care Centre'

The Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board has, therefore, established a "CARE Centre" as an industry friendly initiative to help industries to file applications painlessly and to expedite the process of issue of consent / authorization at a single point. All the consent fee payments can also be made at the Care Centre. In the first phase, this Centre will cater to the needs of industries / local bodies located in Chennai, Thiruvallur and Kancheepuram District, comprising industries in Chennai, Tambaram, Ambattur, Kancheepuram, Sriperumpudur, Tiruvallur areas. The Care Centre has simplified and standardized the receipt of applications. It effectively monitors the application from the time of its receipt to the issue of the consent order.

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The Centre counsels industries on the rules, it helps them to file the applications, it gives the status of pending applications, and despatches consent orders within specified time limits through the single window. Three officers have been specifically posted to the Care Centre for this purpose.

The Care Centre is located in the Ground Floor of Tamilnadu Pollution Control Board, 76, Mount Salai, Guindy, Chennai – 32. Phone No: 044 – 22200220 E mail: tnpcbcare@gmail.com.

The Care Centre has been instructed to issue of consent within the time limits specified below:

Sl.No.	Category of industries	Time limit for issue of consent / rejection of application etc.
1	Red	30 days
2	Orange	15 days
3	Green	10 days

All applicant entrepreneurs can know the status of their applications online by accessing the TNPCB website. In addition, any clarifications pertaining to filling up of application or ascertaining the status of their application, issue of consent / authorization, can also be obtained over telephone by contacting the Care Centre. Senior officers of the Board regularly review the issue of orders by the Care Centre.

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