

**MINUTES OF 12TH MEETING OF THE LAKSHADWEEP POLLUTION
CONTROL COMMITTEE (LPCC) HELD ON 23RD AUGUST, 2021
AT 03.30 PM VIRTUALLY**

I. The 12th Meeting of the Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee was held on 23rd August, 2021 at 03.30 PM virtually.

The following were attended the meeting

1	Shri A. Anbarasu, IAS, Chairman
2	Shri Damodhar A.T, IFS, Secretary, Environment
3	Shri Sachin Sharma, IPS, Managing Director, LDCL
4	Shri Sachin Sharma, IPS, Director, Port Shipping & Aviation
5	Shri O.P Mishra, Director, Industries
6	Dr M.P.Basheer, Director, Health Services
7	Shri Shajahan, Superintending Engineer, LPWD
8	Shri Bhika Ram Meena, Chief Executive Officer, District Panchayath
9	Dr.Nisar, Medical Superintendent, Indira Gandhi Hospital, Kavaratti
10	Shri AmitVerma, IPS, Member Secretary, LPCC

The following members attended virtually:

11	Dr P.V Radhakrishnan, Scientist & Programme Director, Centre for Environment & Development, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
12	Dr.Anas Abdul Aziz, Principal Scientist, NIO, Kochi, Kerala
13	Dr S. Prabhu, Scientist 'C', MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Bengaluru

Special Invitees:

14	Shri S. Asker Ali, IAS Collector, UTL
15	Shri Dinakaran, Commander, Indian Coast Guard, Kavaratti

Officials of Department of S&T/ LPCC

16	Shri P.Pookoya, Assistant Director, S&T
17	Shri A.I. Muhsin, Scientist, S&T
18	Shri U.Abdul Nazer, Senior Chemist, S&T

II. Member Secretary, LPCC welcomed the members for the meeting stating that the meeting could not be held physically due to the Covid pandemic; as such this meeting is being held virtually. The agenda items for the meeting were then taken for discussion.

Shri Muhsin A.I, Scientist made the presentation of the various agenda of the meeting.

Agenda Item No. 01: Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting:

Confirmation of the minutes of the 11th meeting of the Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee held on 02nd November, 2018.

The minutes of the 11th meeting were forwarded to all the members vide dated 27.11.2018. The minutes of the meeting is confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 02: Review of the Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee activities:

The activities of the LPCC are presented before the committee. After the discussion the following decisions were made.

1. All the consent/authorization mechanism shall be issued through online portal and necessary action may be initiated to modify the website of Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee. (Action: LPCC/NIC)
2. All the establishments/industries coming under various categories to be identified and the consent of LPCC or other work shall be done at the earliest. (Action: LPCC)
3. Committee recommended for frequent inspection and quality assessment of food from all the hotels/restaurants in the islands. FSSAI norms shall be implemented (Action: Health Department)
4. A separate meeting on Bio Medical Waste Management and E- Waste Management shall be conducted for proper implementation of respective rules. (Action: LPCC/Health Department/IT Department)
5. Strengthening of water quality monitoring programme was discussed. It was decided to take the water samples from wells and ponds on regular interval to analyse the quality. The number of samples and sampling locations may be fixed in accordance with that of other national programmes. The quality of coastal waters also shall be analyzed. The public shall be educated on the importance of monitoring water quality and threat of water associated diseases. Further, the public can be trained to collect water samples by themselves and submit to LPCC/LPWD lab for analysis. (Action: LPCC/S&T/LPWD)
6. A separate meeting shall be conducted to assess the status of Ground Water Quality and to management in Lakshadweep islands. (Action: LPCC/ L PWD/S&T)
7. It was suggested to ensure safe, secure and standard installation of septic tanks in all Govt. buildings as well as private houses to minimize the faecal contamination of ground water. (Action: LPWD)
8. It was decided to introduce the smokeless Chula in island to minimize the open burning. (Director Panchayat/CEO District Panchayat)
9. It was decided to install the biogas plants at house-holds level as may be feasible to manage the food/kitchen wastes in scientific manner. (Action: S&T)
10. Roles and Responsibilities of various departments towards management of different Rules were discussed. The Committee decided to regulate the implementation of various Rules as follows.

Sl. No.	Rule	Local authority /Nodal Department concerned (Execution Agency)	Monitoring & Regulation Agency concerned
1	Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.	Directorate of Panchayat through District Panchayat/Village (Dweep) Panchayat	LPCC
2	Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016.	Directorate of Panchayat through District Panchayat/Village (Dweep) Panchayat	LPCC
3	Bio Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016.	Department of Health	LPCC
4	E-Waste Management Rule, 2016	Department of Information Technology	LPCC
5	Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016	Lakshadweep Public Works Department	LPCC
6	Hazardous and Other Waste Management Rules, 2016	Department of Science & Technology	LPCC

(Action: LPCC/Department of Panchayat/Department of Health/Department of Information Technology/Lakshadweep Public Works Department/Department of Science & Technology)

11. Periodical meetings by various organizations, authorities concerned shall be made vis -a - vis : implementation of Rules.

Agenda Item No. 03: Categorization of new or leftover establishment/industries

Based on the revised criteria of categorization of industrial sectors and revised lists of Red, Orange, Green and White categories of industrial sectors as mentioned in the final report of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and as forthwith adopted by the Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee, the industries have been classified under RED, ORANGE and GREEN category based on the scores evaluated by them, based on the procedure devised therein. The Committee has agreed to include the following type of industry under ORANGE category.

SI No	Industry Sector Types
1	Reverse Osmosis Plant. (Sea Water based)
2	Bulk Oil Storage Depot/ Other Fuel Stations.

Agenda Item No. 04: Modification of validity of Consent of Establishment/ Operate.

The committee has approved to modify the validity of Red, Orange, Green and White Category of industries as follows:

SI No	Category	Validity of Consent to Establish/Operate (Year)
1	Red	5
2	Orange	5
3	Green	15
4	White	No necessity

Agenda Item No. 05: Ratification of Authorization and Consent of Establishment/ Operation issued by LPCC

The Committee has ratified and approved the following authorization and consent of establishment/operation issued by LPCC till 23.08.2021.

(i) Authorization of the Health Care Facilities (HCFs):

Sl No	Health Care Facilities (HCFs)	Number of HCFs
1	Govt. Hospitals	3
2	Govt Community Health Centers	3
3	Govt. Primary Health Centers	4
4	Govt First Aid Centre	1
5	Govt Sub Centers	14
6	Govt Ayush Centers	9
7	Govt Veterinary Sub Centers	9
8	Ayush Clinic (Private)	1
9	Medical Laboratory (Private)	3

(ii) Consent to Establishment

1	Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at INS Dweep Rakshak
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(iii) Consent to Operate:

1	STP at Bangaram Resort
2	Reverse Osmosis Plant in the Residential Quarters of Airport Authority of India, Agatti
3	Operation of Agatti Airport
4	Fish Processing Unit at Minicoy (Private)

Agenda Item No. 06: Status of Oil Spill Contingency Plan

The Commander, Indian Coast Guard, Lakshadweep made a presentation on the importance of implementation of Oil Spill Contingency Plan. It was directed to take up the matter separately by Lakshadweep Disaster Management Authority.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

This is issued with the approval of Chairman, LPCC vide Diary No. 2436 Dated 06.09.2021.


(AMIT VERMA, IPS)
Member Secretary, LPCC

To

All Concerned

Copy to:

1. PA to the Advisor to the Administrator & Chairman, LPCC
2. PA to the Secretary, Environment/Industry/Works/Shipping/Health, UTL
3. Member Secretary, CPCB, New Delhi
4. Shri G.Thirumurthy, Divisional Head, PCP Division, CPCB, New Delhi
5. Regional Director, CPCB, Bangalore