Government of India Ministry of Jal Shakti Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation Central Ground Water Authority

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ATTENTION TO ALL BULK / TANKER WATER SUPPLIERS

Whereas the Central Government constituted the Central Ground Water Authority (hereinafter referred to as the Authority) vide notification Number S.O. 38(E), dated 14th January, 1997, followed by notification number S.O. 1124(E) dated 6th November, 2000 and S.O. 1121 (E) dated 13th May, 2010 of the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment & Forests, for the purposes of regulation and control of ground water development and management in the whole of India and to issue necessary regulatory directions.

And whereas the Authority has issued 'Guidelines to control and regulate ground water extraction in India' vide notification number 3289(E) dated 24th September, 2020, wherein Section 6 provides that "all private tankers abstracting ground water and use it for supply as bulk water suppliers will now mandatorily seek No Objection Certificate for ground water abstraction" and that "modalities for issue of No Objection Certificate for bulk/tanker water supplies shall be worked out in consultation with States/UTs and suitable guidelines in this regard will be framed and issued separately."

And whereas, "Guidelines for Bulk Water Suppliers" have been finalized by Central Ground Water Authority in consultation with States and UTs, wherein the States / UTs are required to identify a nodal agency who will be responsible for issuance of NOC to bulk/ tanker water suppliers and monitoring of compliance, which have also been circulated to all States /UTs.

This is to bring to the notice of all bulk / tanker water suppliers that:

All those users abstracting ground water and using it for supply as bulk water supplies through private tankers will be required to seek No Objection Certificate from Central Ground Water Authority or, the concerned State/ UT Ground Water Authority as the case may be. The Central Ground Water Authority shall process NOC applications in all such States where it is regulating ground water, till States/UTs take appropriate action and identify the concerned nodal agency in this regard. All such bulk water suppliers are hereby directed to submit their applications for NOC through online portal of CGWA (http://cgwa-noc.gov.in) or the concerned State Authorities / Departments, as the case may be.

Member Secretary CGWA