

Status as on 30.09.2021

Subject: MS / HSD Quality Upgradation / HS Crude Maximization Project EC Clearance

Actionable Points

Ref: Ministry's clearance letter no J-1101/491/2007-IA II (I) dated 18.03.2008

SN	Point	Status
1.	The company shall comply with new standards/norms that are being proposed by the CPCB for petrochemical plants and refineries.	 Major facilities required for meeting treated effluent quality as per revised MoEF&CC standard has been commissioned in Mar-14. With the commissioning of desulphurization facilities (Amine treating unit) for fuel gas from old plants in Oct 2010, Barauni refinery now meets the revised SO₂ emission standards. H₂S content in FG is also within the revised standard. Continuous on-line stack analyzers for monitoring of SO₂, NOx, CO & PM have been installed and connected to CPCB server for 22 nos. of stacks. Double seal has been provided in 23 nos. of floating roof tanks. Please refer Annexure-1 for detailed status and action plan of Barauni refinery for compliance of revised MoEF&CC standards. Complied
2.	The process emissions (SO ₂ , NOx, HC, VOCs and Benzene) from various units shall conform to the standards prescribed by the Bihar State Pollution Control Board from time to time. At no time, the emission levels shall go beyond the stipulated standards. In the event of failure of pollution control system(s) adopted by the unit, the unit shall be immediately put out of operation and shall not be restarted until the desired efficiency has been achieved.	 Online analyzers are installed for continuous monitoring of SOx, NOx, CO & PM for 24 stacks. These analyzers are connected directly to CPCB and BSPCB servers for continuous emission monitoring. Process emissions from all units are monitored once in two months except SRU (which is monitored monthly) by M/s Mantec Environmental Laboratories and conform to revised MoEF&CC 2008 standards. Total SO₂ emissions from existing units and new facilities at Barauni Refinery are within the stipulated limit of 815 kg/hr as per latest EC. Complied.

3. Ambient air quality monitoring stations, [SPM, • Eight manual (four in Refinery, one in township and three SO₂, NOx and NMHC, Benzene] shall be set up in in periphery villages) air quality monitoring stations have the Refinery complex in consultation with SPCB, been set up. Ambient air quality is checked twice in a week based on occurrence of maximum ground level as per revised MoEF&CC standards 2009. concentration and down-wind direction of wind. • Three continuous online monitoring stations provided for The monitoring network must be decided based ambient air quality monitoring covering 8 parameters viz on modeling exercise to represent short term GLCs PM 10, PM 2.5, SO2, NOx, CO, NH3, Benzene and Ozone. Continuous on-line stack monitoring equipment The stations are also directly connected online with should be installed for measurement of SO₂ and servers at CPCB and Bihar State Pollution Control Board NOx. (BSPCB). Complied. • Online analyzers are installed for continuous monitoring of SOx, NOx, CO & PM for 24 stacks. These analyzers are connected directly to CPCB and BSPCB servers for continuous emission monitoring. Complied 4. Quarterly monitoring of fugitive emissions shall be Quarterly monitoring of fugitive emission as per CPCB carried out as per the guidelines of CPCB by guidelines is carried out and report is submitted to fugitive emission detectors and reports shall be regional office, Ranchi along with compliance report on six submitted to the Ministry's regional office at monthly basis. Bhubaneswar. For control of fugitive emission all Complied unsaturated hydro carbon will be routed to the • Smokeless flare system already exists at Barauni Refinery flare system and the flare system shall be designed and all unsaturated hydrocarbons are routed to it. for smoke less burning. Complied 5. Fugitive emissions of HC from product storage • Quarterly monitoring of fugitive emission from tank farm tank yards etc must be regularly monitored. area is carried out. Sensors for detecting HC leakage shall also be • Complied. provided at strategic locations. The company shall • Hydrocarbon detectors are installed in strategic locations use low sulphur fuel to minimize SO₂ emission. in the various process units, storage tank farm, and other plausible locations. Complied 'Sulfur' in fuel oil conforms to the revised MoEF&CC standards 2008 (<1%Wt.). • H₂S in fuel gas conforms to the revised MoEF&CC standards 2008 (<150 mg/Nm3). Complied 6. The effluent after treatment and conforming to To reduce Raw water consumption, treated effluent is rethe MINAS standards shall be discharged into the used as river Ganga. The company shall undertake • Cooling Tower makeup water measures for water conservation and treated • Fire water make up effluent to the extent possible shall be used for • Coke cutting water fire water make up, coke cutting water, make up • Make up water for Eco Ponds. water for eco pond and irrigation of eco park etc. • Horticulture in Eco park After ETP modernization, reuse of treated effluent in refinery operations has increased significantly resulting in "Zero Discharge of Treated Effluent into River Ganga". Complied 7. M/s IOCL shall investigate cause of odour problem • Water samples were randomly taken from hand pumps in one of the wells as reported during the public and wells of the surrounding area of Keshawe village hearing meeting held on 25.9.2007 and report several times and tested by M/S PDIL. Found meeting submitted to the Ministry's Regional office at potable water quality norms. The odor of water has been Bhubaneswar. detected as a localized problem.

		 Further, in keeping with Indian Oil's motto "People before Profit", Barauni refinery lined up the M/S PDIL in 2009 for establishing the ground water quality and its movement in and around Barauni Refinery to investigate cause of odor problem in Keshawe village. PDIL submitted its report in Feb 2010 and it was concluded that "no ground water from the refinery flows beyond the refinery boundary. Hence, ground water contamination from the refinery beyond boundary can be ruled out. The ground water contamination due to refinery activities in the Keshawe village is not at all possible." Further it was also observed "that the poor sanitation around the hand pumps in Keshawe village around BTP area and the presence of Iron in the tube well water produces synergetic impact on the odour. Similarly, the installation of septic tanks and Khatals are responsible for poor quality w.r.t odour." Presently testing of ground water quality in nearby villages is done quarterly by MoEF&CC approved agency. Reports enclosed. Complied.
8.	The oily sludge shall be subjected to melting pit for oil recovery and the residues shall be bioremediated. The sludge shall be stored in the HDPE lined pit along with proper leachate collection system.	 HDPE lined RCC pit for storage of hazardous solid waste (Oily Sludge) is in place and mechanized skid process has been deployed for better recovery of oil from oily sludge in place of melting pit. Residual oily sludge is bio-remediated. Complied.
9.	The company shall strictly follow all the recommendation mentioned in the charter on Corporate Responsibility for Environmental Protection (CREP).	 All the recommendations mentioned in the charter on Corporate Responsibility for Environmental Protection (CREP) are strictly followed. Please refer Annexure-2 for detailed status on CREP. Complied.
10.	The Company shall take necessary measures to prevent fire hazards, containing oil spill and soil remediation as needed. At place of ground flaring, the overhead flaring stack with knockout drums shall be installed to minimize gaseous emissions during flaring.	 Fire protection facilities as required by OISD standards exist in refinery. Area within the units and around having the possibility of oil spillage has been paved. All units, tank farm area and facilities are well connected with a closed underground OWS system to prevent any oil spill. Knockout drums exist in overhead flaring stack to minimize gaseous emissions during flaring. Fire protection facilities as required by OISD standards have been provided in new facilities and all the area within the units' battery limits have been paved. Complied
11.	To prevent fire and explosion at Oil and Gas facility, potential ignition sources should be kept to a minimum and adequate separation distance between potential ignition sources and flammable material shall be in place.	 Distances between various units / equipments including potential ignition sources are as per OISD standards. OISD standards have been followed for the distances between various units / equipments including potential ignition sources in the new facilities. Complied
12.	Occupational health surveillance of worker shall	A full fledged Occupational Health centre is established in

	be done on a regular basis and records maintained as per the Factory Act.	 the Refinery Hospital. Occupational health monitoring of employees is carried out regularly as per the program. Occupational health surveillance records are maintained by the refinery hospital as per the Factory Act. Complied
13.	Greenbelt shall be developed to mitigate the	Total plot area of the refinery: 887.83 acres.
	effect of fugitive emission all around the plant in a minimum 30% plant area in consultation with DFO	• Green belt area in Refinery: 43.8 acres.
	as per CPCB guidelines.	Green belt area in Refinery Township: 82.19 acres.
		• Total green belt area: 125.99 acres.
		• Since, there is no further land available for tree plantation in Refinery and township hence, an agreement has been done with Forest department on 21.10.2021 for 1,65,000 nos. trees plantation in 180 Hectare land. Application has been submitted on 26.10.2021 for amendment in EC for the same.
		Being complied
14.	Environment protection measures suggested in the EIA/ EMP risk assessment report and during the public hearing meeting shall be implemented.	 Environment protection measures suggested in the EIA/EMP risk assessment report have been implemented / are being implemented. Public Hearing Points Rise in Respiratory Ailments Survey conducted by panel of doctors/paramedics from Government Hospital delegated by Civil Surgeon. No adverse effects / increase in respiratory ailments observed. Stunted Growth of Papaya Plant Issue referred to Rajendra Agricultural University, Pusa. In response booklet on "Technology for Growing Papayas in Bihar" received. It says, "viral disease is the major limiting factor in Papaya cultivation in all regions of Bihar and attempts are on to select papaya lines showing strong tolerance to viral diseases." Few hand pump's water have odour in Keshawe Village Please refer status of condition no. 7 above. Water overflow from Borrow Pit inundating fields Borrow pit overflow does not occur anymore. Medical Camps to be increased in surrounding area Medical Camps are being conducted regularly. Complied
15.	The project authorities must strictly adhere to the stipulations made by the concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) and the State Government and any other statuary body.	Stipulations being followed. Complied
16.	No further expansion or modification in the project shall be carried without prior approval of	Prior approval of ministry is always taken before carrying out any expansion or modification of the plant.
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	the Ministry of Environment and Forests. In case of deviations or alternations in the project proposal from those submitted to the Ministry for clearance, a fresh reference shall be made to the Ministry.	Complied
17.	At no time, the emissions should go beyond the prescribed standards. In the event of failure of any pollution control system, the respective well site should be immediately put out of operation and should not be restarted until the desired efficiency has been achieved. Provision of adequate height of stack attached to DG sets & flare is to be done.	 There is no well site at Barauni refinery. Stacks and flare of adequate height have been provided in Barauni refinery to control emissions. Complied
18.	Wastewater shall be properly collected and treated so as to conform to the standards prescribed under EP Act & Rules and mentioned in the Consents provided by the relevant SPCB.	 Adequate waste water drainage and collection facilities exist in refinery. Appropriate drainage and collection facilities have been provided in new facilities in the MSQ project and are connected with the existing drainage facilities of refinery. Oily waste water is treated in ETP/BTP and conforms to the CPCB/SPCB standards. Complied w.r.t MoEF&CC standards.
19.	The overall noise levels in and around the premises shall be limited within the prescribed standards (75 dBA) by providing noise control measures including acoustic hoods, silencers, enclosures etc. on all sources of noise generation. The ambient noise levels should conform to the standards prescribed under EPA Rules, 1989 viz. 75 dBA (day time) and 70 dBA (night time).	 The ambient noise levels from existing facilities conform to the standards prescribed under EPA Rules, 1989 / Noise Pollution (Regulation and control) Rules 2000. For personnel working in the proximity of high noise generating equipments, appropriate PPEs are used, and exposure is controlled through job rotation, education and awareness. Adequate noise control measures have been taken in new facilities in the project. No impact has been observed on plant boundary proximity area with the new facilities in the project, and ambient noise levels from new facilities conforms to the standards prescribed under EPA Rules, 1989 / Noise Pollution (Regulation and control) Rules 2000. Noise level measurements are carried out quarterly by MoEFF&CC certified agency. Reports enclosed. Complied
20.	The project authorities must strictly comply with the provisions made in Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules 1989 as amended in 2000 for handling of hazardous chemicals etc. Necessary approvals from Chief Controller- of Explosives must be obtained before commission of the expansion project, if required. Requisite On-site and Off-site Disaster Management Plans will be prepared and implemented.	 Provisions made in Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules 1989 as amended in 2000 for handling of hazardous chemicals etc are strictly complied in existing facilities of refinery, and same have also been

21.	Disposal of hazardous wastes shall be as per the Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 2003. Authorization from the State Pollution Control Board must be obtained for collections/ treatment/storage disposal of hazardous wastes.	 Disposal of hazardous wastes is done as per the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016. Authorization taken from Bihar State Pollution Control Board for handing of hazardous wastes. Authorization is valid till 06.01.2024. Complied
22.	The project authorities will provide adequate funds as non-recurring and recurring expenditure to implement the conditions stipulated by the Ministry of Environment and Forests as well as the State Government along with the implementation schedule for all the conditions stipulated herein. The funds so provided should not be diverted for any other purposes.	 Adequate funds provided to implement the conditions stipulated by MoEF&CC In addition to one time investment in facilities for combating pollution, separate funds are allocated for specific activities such as bio-remediation of sludge, environment monitoring, and studies related to environment etc. Complied
23.	The company shall develop rain water harvesting structures to harvest the runoff water for recharge of ground water.	 Rain water harvesting has been implemented at 21 buildings of Barauni Refinery in which water collected from roof top of the refinery is recharged to ground water. Additionally township surface run-off is routed to three nos. of recharge pits. Complied
24.	The stipulated conditions will be monitored by the concerned Regional Office of this Ministry /Central Pollution Control Board/State Pollution Control Board. A six monthly compliance report and the monitored data should be submitted to them regularly. It will also be displayed on the Website of the Company.	 A six monthly compliance report and the monitored data are submitted regularly. EC Compliance status of various projects is being hosted on https://www.iocl.com/Talktous/SNotices.aspx. Alternatively, one can reach IOCL home page at https://www.iocl.com and thereafter selecting "We're Listening" tab followed by opening "Statutory Notices". Complied
25.	The Project Proponent should inform the public that the project has been accorded environmental clearance by the Ministry and copies of the clearance letter are available with the State Pollution Control Board/ Committee and may also be seen at Website of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at http://www.envfor.nic.in. This should be advertised within seven days from the date of issue of the clearance letter at least in two local newspapers that are widely circulated in the region of which one shall be in the vernacular language of the locality concerned and a copy of the same should be forwarded to the concerned Regional office of this Ministry.	 Information published in Hindustan and Hindustan Times on 27th Mar 2008. Complied
26.	A separate environment management cell with full fledged laboratory facilities to carry out various management and monitoring functions shall be set	Barauni Refinery has a full-fledged environment protection cell and a well equipped dedicated pollution control laboratory.

	up under the control of a Senior Executive.	Complied
27.		Date of financial approval was reported to be 29 th April 2008 and the project was capitalized on 31 st Dec 2010.

Annexure-1

Status and Action Plan for Compliance of Revised Emission and Effluent Standards 2008 at Barauni Refinery

Status as on 30.09.2021

Schedule -I: Petroleum Oil Refinery

A. Effluent Discharge

S	N Standard	BR status and action plan
-	Treated Effluent Quality	No effluent is discharged outside refinery. Treated effluent is totally reused and its quality is maintained as per MINAS. Reports attached separately. Complied

B. Emissions

SN	Standard	BR status and action plan
2	H ₂ S in Fuel Gas	H ₂ S in Fuel Gas is within limits as required under revised standards. Complied
3	SO ₂ Emissions	
4	NO _x Emissions	These parameters are monitored through online stack analyzers. These analyzers are directly connected to CPCB and BSPCB servers. Emissions are under within limit. Reports attached separately. Complied
5	CO Emissions	
6	Particulate Matter (PM) Emissions	Barauni Refinery processes more low sulphur crude in recent years. Only about 5% high sulfur crude processing takes place. As a result internal fuel oil quality has been improved w.r.t emission of particulate matter. Further, particulate matter analyzers have been installed in all stacks of refinery and connected to CPCB server since June-16. The online analyzer data available now help us fine tuning fuel firing and optimization of gas mix amongst various furnaces and the controlling the PM parameters within the statutory limit. COMPLIED.
7	Nickel and Vanadium (Ni+V) Emissions	COMPLIED.
8	Sulphur Content in Liquid Fuel	COMPLIED.

9	Continuous Monitoring System for SO ₂ & NO _x emissions	Continuous monitoring is done trough online analyzers. These analyzers are directly connected to CPCB and BSPCB servers. Complied
10	Opacity of Flue Gas ex FCCU Regenerators	> RFCCU was commissioned at Barauni Refinery along with flue gas scrubbing technology supplied by M/s Belco, USA. In the Belco unit, the flue gas is scrubbed with water & diluted caustic solution (<0.5 % concentration by wt.) to remove SOx and particulate matter. PM level in flue gas is less than 30 mg/Nm3. High volume of condensed water vapor generated during water scrubbing of flue gas escapes through the BELCO stack as whitish plume. Opacity meter under such condition is not considered relevant as it will not be effective due to high moisture content in flue gas. > Further, PM analyzers have been installed in RFCCU stack through which particulate matter ex- RFCCU stack is monitored, which is closely akin to monitoring of opacity in flue gas. Therefore opacity meter installation at RFCCU is not planned. > Complied.
11	Sulphur Recovery from SRU	SRU at Barauni refinery meets the revised standard. COMPLIED.
12	H₂S emissions from SRU	SRU at Barauni refinery meets the revised standard. COMPLIED.

C. Fugitive Emission

SN	Standard	BR status and action plan
13	Storage tanks with capacity between 4 to 75 m3 and TVP of more than 10 kpa	Not Applicable.
14	Storage tanks with capacity between 75 to 500 m3 and TVP of 10 to 76 kpa	Not Applicable.
15	Storage tanks with capacity of more than 500 m3 and TVP of 10 to 76 kpa	Storage tanks of Crude, MS & SRN have TVP of 10 to 76 kpa. All such tanks are IFRT or EFRT. COMPLIED.

16	Storage tanks with capacity of more than 500 m3 and TVP of more than 76 kpa	Not Applicable
17	Provision of secondary seals in floating roof tanks	All such tanks at Barauni Refinery are equipped with double seal. COMPLIED.
18	Emission control in Rail Tank Wagon/ Road Tank Truck loading for Gasoline and naphtha for VOC reduction	Barauni Refinery complies most of the revised standards for petroleum refineries as notified in Gazette of India on 18th March'08 except vapor recovery system in tank wagon/tank truck. For VOC reduction of 99.5% and emission control to 5 gm/m3 in case of Gasoline and Naphtha loading, VOC recovery system at Loading Gantry would be required. Existing gantry at Barauni refinery does not have adequate space for laying a bigger dia header all along the gantry and other equipments for vapour recovery system. It will also require the shutdown of product loading gantry for 3-4 months to install this facility. Outage of gantry for such a long period cannot be allowable in view of the chances of market dry out of the major petroleum products.
19	Equipments leak and LDAR programme	COMPLIED.

D. Emission Standards for VOC from Wastewater Collection and Treatment

		VOC treatment system as a part of ETP modernization project has been installed and commissioned.
20	VOC Collection & Treatment System	COMPLIED.

Schedule -VI, Part C: Petroleum Oil Refinery

SN	Standard	BR status and action plan
	Quantum limit for	No effluent is discharged outside refinery. Treated effluent is totally reused.
21	discharge of total	
	effluent	
22	Limit of quantity of	
	effluent discharged	

CHARTER ON CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (CREP)

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF CREP OBLIGATIONS AT BARAUNI REFINERY as on 30.09.2021

SL. No	ACTIVITY	STATUS	
	Air Pollution Management		
1.	All the refineries located in the critically polluted areas, identified by CPCB, should submit an action plan for reduction of SO_2 emission from the present level.	 With the commissioning of desulphurization facilities (Amine Treating Unit) for fuel gas from old plants in Oct 2010, Barauni refinery now meets the revised SO₂ emission standards for all the furnaces, boilers and captive power plant including RFCCU regenerator and SRU. The quantum of total SO₂ emissions from Barauni Refinery has further reduced by more than 150 Kg/hr after the commissioning of ATU in Oct 2010. Complied. 	
2.	Future refineries should have Sulphur Recovery Unit (SRU) with minimum 99% efficiency.	 SRU with 99 % efficiency is in operation at Barauni Refinery. Complied. 	
3.	For the SRUs in the existing refineries, an expert committee to be constituted to look into various aspects and suggest a road map within six months.	 Existing SRU at Barauni Refinery has 99 % efficiency. Complied. 	
4.	(a) With regard to NOx emission, the new refineries/process units should install low NOx burners.(b) For retrofitting of low NOx burners in existing units the same expert committee will suggest the strategies and action plan within six months.	 Low NOx burners have been installed in all furnaces and boilers of Barauni Refinery. Complied. 	
5.	The flare losses should be minimized and monitored regularly.	 Following actions are in practice: Viewing through Closed Circuit TVs installed in RSM Office & DDCS- II C/R. Monitoring through opening / closing of C/V of Fuel gas to flare. Fuel Gas balance on daily basis. Flare Gas Recovery Unit has been commissioned for use of flare gas as fuel gas in furnaces/boilers. Project has been registered by 	

SL. No	ACTIVITY	STATUS		
6.	Refineries should install continuous emission monitoring system for SO_X and NO_X in major stacks.	UNFCC under CDM projects on 04th May 2009. CO2 emissions from BR have reduced by about 6000 MT per annum after commissioning of this project. (Total CER in BR account = about 6000) Complied. SOX & NOX are now monitored continuously in 22 nos. of stacks with SOx/NOx analyzers. Complied.		
7. (a)	Refineries should also monitor total HC and Benzene in the premises (particularly at loading/unloading operations and ETP). The status and action plan to be submitted within 6 months.	 HC & Benzene are monitored regularly in Tank wagon Gantries, ETP & QC lab. VOC emissions monitored through Detection instrument and LDAR 		
7. (b)	The expert committee will also suggest an action plan , within six months for control and monitoring of hydrocarbon loss & VOC emissions , leak detection and repair (LDAR) programme and vapour recovery systems (for loading & unloading operations within refineries only)	Program is in place. • Complied.		
	Waste Water Management			
1.	Refineries will prepare action plan for conservation of water resources and maximizing reuse/recycling of treated effluent within six months. The treated effluent discharge quantity should be limited to 0.4 m3/per tonne (for 90% of time) except for the monsoon season.	• Treated liquid effluent is completely reused in refinery operations, horticulture, eco ponds make up, burrow pit make up completely except in rainy season after modernization of ETP/BTP.		
2.	Oil spill response facilities at coastal refineries should be in position within 3 years.	Not applicable.		
	Solid Waste Management			
1.	Refineries will explore new technologies for reduction in the generation of oily sludge. Strategy and action plan for liquidation of existing sludge should be submitted within 6 months.	 Following procedures are in place for minimization of oily sludge generation: Operation of side entry mixers in crude oil tanks. Hot Gas oil circulation in crude oil tanks before handing over for cleaning. For better recovered of oil from oily sludge, Mechanized skid process by M/S Balmer Lawrie has been deployed. 		

SL. No	ACTIVITY	STATUS
		 Recovery of oil is excellent (95-98%) against only 40-50% in case of oil recovery from melting pit. Quality of oil in residual sludge is much lower (less than 10%). Quality of final residual is very less (less than 5% of oily sludge processed). The left over residual oily sludge is processed in CBR (Confined Space Bioremediation) developed by IOCL-R&D. Complied.
2.	The petroleum coke having high sulphur content should only be sold to/reused by organized industries, which have systems to control SO ₂ emissions). This will be ensured by June 2003.	 RPC is being sold to reputed calciner. Complied.