



F.NO. DPCC/EIA/2025/ 336-341

Dated: 25/08/2025

Subject: Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for consideration of documentary evidence for imposition of Environmental Compensation (EC) Charges w.r.t Direction/Sealing Order issued by the Commission in C&D Projects.

The CAQM has issued an order on 05.06.2025 asking DPCC/SPCB to ascertain actual no of days of violation through verification, inspection, evidence and related documentation before EC is levied in cases where direction of closure has been issued by the CAQM. Another direction dated 29.07.2025 has been issued by the CAQM to DPCC to consider credible documentary evidence submitted by the project proponent to calculate the EC on realistic basis. In order to ensure a fair and justified assessment of EC on C&D Projects, where CAQM has issued directions to DPCC to impose the Environmental Compensation, the following Standard operating procedure (SOP) will be adhered to by the DPCC Officials:

1. The following evidences/documents shall be considered by DPCC to ascertain date of compliance/date of closure of activity for calculation of EC:
 - i. Date of inspection mentioned in the Inspection reports of various concerned authorities/department duly signed by the inspecting officer and countersigned by the officer not below the rank of Superintendent Engineer of the Authority/Department.
 - ii. Date of Correspondence made through Email/Registered Post by the Project Proponent with CAQM and DPCC for submission of Compliance Report and undertaking for closure of Site.
 - iii. Geo-tagged and date/time stamped photographic evidence certified by Project Proponent.
 - iv. Date mentioned in Logbooks maintained in proper format, invoices of equipment purchased in the name of the unit/proponent signed by the Site In-charge and duly vetted by the authorised project In-charge/authority. These evidences be submitted along with notarised undertaking
 - v. DPCC shall inspect the site for verification of records/documents/photographs made available by the proponent within 3 days of receipt of such documents.
2. DPCC shall endeavour to develop IT tools for random validation of documents/proof as submitted by the project proponent. The IT Cell of DPCC shall conduct forensic audit of the submitted evidence including photographs on random basis which should be available in soft copy.

This issues with the approval of Chairman, DPCC.

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