

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

PUBLIC NOTICE No. 02/2022

New Delhi, Dated 31.03.2022

ATTENTION TO ALL GROUND WATER USERS INCLUDING INDUSTRIAL/ INFRASTRUCTURE/ MINING PROJECTS

Whereas the Authority has issued 'Guidelines to control and regulate ground water extraction in India' vide notification number 3289(E) dated 24th September, 2020.

And whereas the Authority has issued Public Notices dated 26.10.2020, 08.01.2021 and 27.01.2021 wherein the concerned project proponents were informed to mandatorily submit Impact Assessment Report/ comprehensive Hydro-geological Report/ Water Audit Report by a specified date and the late submission of Impact Assessment Report/ comprehensive Hydro-geological Report were subjected to the payment of Environmental Compensation as per CGWA Guidelines, calculated from 01.01.2021 till the date of submission of the report.

And whereas the Authority has issued **Public Notice dated 17.06.2021**, providing last date as 31.03.2022 for submission of Impact Assessment Reports by industries, Comprehensive Hydrogeological reports by Mining Projects and installation of tamper-proof Digital Water Flow Meters with or without telemetry and for an exemption of Environmental Compensation by the existing users who failed to submit application for NOC till 30.06.2020.

THIS IS TO BRING TO THE NOTICE OF ALL GROUND WATER USERS THAT:

1. For the submission of Impact Assessment Reports by industries, Comprehensive Hydrogeological reports by Mining Projects and Water Audit Reports, the date is hereby extended upto **30.06.2022**. No Environmental Compensation shall be imposed on such users if the said report is submitted in the prescribed time. The Environmental Compensation already paid by the project proponents shall be adjusted in the Abstraction/restoration Charges of the unit for subsequent years.
2. All the project proponents/users who have obtained NOC for drawing ground water shall be required to mandatorily install Piezometer and tamper-proof Digital Water Flow Meter with / without Telemetry System as per CGWA Guidelines by 30.06.2022 or as specified in NOC, whichever is later.
3. **Registration of Ground Water Users** – All the existing ground water users are hereby given one-time opportunity to register their ground water withdrawal by paying registration fee of Rs. 10,000 which will be adjusted at the time of submission of the complete Application. Such registered users shall be exempted from payment of Environmental Compensation, if they submit complete application before 30.09.2022, failing which Environmental Compensation shall be levied as per CGWA Guidelines. All other conditions shall remain unchanged.

Member Secretary

CGWA