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KSPCB/657/2024-SEE-1 **Date: 03/11/2026**

CIRCULAR

Subject: Bringing high rise and other buildings established before 30/06/2015 into Consent purview - reg

Ref:- Circular No. KSPCB/657/2024-SEE-1 dated 03/04/2024

Board vide Circular referred above has directed that high rise and other buildings (as defined in SOP for High rise& Other Buildings dated 15/03/2023) which had obtained occupancy certificate from the local self-government institution on or before 30.06.2015 and have not yet obtained 'Consent to operate,' can apply for the first Consent to operate by remitting 5.5 times annual fee based on capital investment. This special exemption was applicable for establishments submitting their first time consent application on or before.30.09.2024 only.

In light of WP(C) 40564 of 2022, Board had issued Closure Intention notices and Closure directions to many apartments which are operating without Boards consent and without adequate waste water treatment facility. Now Board is in receipt of communications from various establishments in the State which are operating prior to 30/06/2015 but have not yet obtained Board's Consent to operate.

In order to bring such establishments into consent purview so that the various pollution issues which may arise from them, especially due to wastewater discharge, are properly addressed, those high rise and other buildings (as defined in SOP for High rise & Other Buildings dated 15/03/2023) which had obtained occupancy certificate from the local self-government institution on or before 30.06.2015 and have not yet obtained 'Consent to operate', can apply for the first Consent to operate by remitting 5.5 times annual fee based on capital investment. If found eligible, based on scrutiny and inspection, consent will be granted for five years from the date of this Circular. As it is the first consent to operate, the applications will not be eligible for the fee concession applicable for renewal. The fee concessions shall be availed during the subsequent renewals.

Consent applications shall be submitted with necessary consent fee and all other documents through the online portal of the Board on or before 6 months from the date of issue of the Circular, thereafter this exemption will not be valid.

CHAIRPERSON

To

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   Regional Office, Thiruvananthapuram /Ernakulam/Kozhikode.

2. The Head of Office, District Office,
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