

Notification of Rules Under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986

Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 as Amended

This Act was enacted in 1991 to provide immediate relief to persons affected by accidents while handling any hazardous substance. As per this Act, the owner is liable to give relief for injury or death of any person and for damage to any property resulting from an accident. Furthermore, it is mandatory for the owner to have insurance to cover such potential liability.

The District Collector is authorized to verify the occurrence of an accident within his Jurisdiction, invite applications for claims, and award relief. The application for relief can be made by the person who has sustained injury, by the owner of the property to which damage was caused, or by an agent or legal representative of a deceased person.

The Central Government is empowered to direct prohibition or regulation of the handling of any hazardous substance. Furthermore, contravention of any provision of this Act is a punishable offense with about the same penalties as those prescribed under the Environment Protection Act.

The Chemical Accidents (Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response) Rules, 1996.

This notification calls for the constitution of Central Crisis Group for management of chemical accidents and setting up of a crisis alert system by the Central Government. The State Government shall constitute the State Crisis Group, and enable constitution of District and Local Crisis Group. The constitution of Crisis Alert System and various Crisis Groups, the functions and powers of various crisis group have been elaborated.

The Environment (Protection) (Second Amendment) Rules 1998

These rules enacted by the Government of India stipulates limit for NO_x emission from the stack of gas based power plants including plants having gas turbines (burning natural gas or any liquid fuel like Naptha, HSD, FO, etc.) or plants burning natural gas in a conventional boiler. Emission standards for gas based power station is given in [Table 7](#)

Direction issued by Government of India in respect of Fly Ash.

This direction aims to prevent dumping and disposal of Fly Ash on land and in landfills and ensure full utilisation of Fly Ash in the manufacture of Ash based product and in construction activity.
