

## **BRUHAT BANGALORE MAHANAGARA PALIKE**

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## **CIRCULAR-8**

## Subject: Odour control & Disposal of RDF

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As you are aware, there have been public protests in respect of operation of the newly constructed waste processing and treatment plants mainly due to odour menace. The same had resulted in temporary stoppage of some plants. However, the said plants were re-commissioned after having extensive discussions and assurance to the local residents that action will be taken to reduce the odour by improving the O&M of the plants besides putting in place the odour control systems. During the recent visit to the plant by the Expert Committee Members and senior officials of BBMP, it was reported that the steps taken by the Operator towards Odour control & fly menace, so far, were inadequate.

As per the conditions of contract, the waste treatment facility needs to be operated and maintained as per MSW Rules 2000 and it should be fully compliant to all environmental and other applicable laws. The General Conditions of Contract, Clause 3.1 of Contract Agreement states that " the Operator shall perform the Services and carry out their obligations hereunder with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate advanced technology and safe methods." Further, the clause 4.7.2 of Terms of Reference states that "the Operator shall undertake CSR initiatives, maintain good local relations and demonstrate their social commitment for the neighborhood through necessary and relevant local actions". As such, proper O&M and control of odour menace is the primary responsibility of the Operator. However, it is observed that in-spite of repeated agitations by the local residents you have not taken any additional and innovative measures to control the odour besides spraying certain types of inoculums. As your organization has the desired expertise it was expected of you that you will play a pro active role in adopting some of the best and innovative practices followed in the industry to overcome the odour menace.

Further, it is also observed that some of the Operators have not made any arrangements for disposal of RDF, even after six months of commencement of plant operations. As per Terms of Reference, Clause 4.4 of the Contract Agreement, the Operator is responsible for sale of by-products generated out of the treatment process and cannot stock RDF/Compost/recyclables in the plant premises.

As such, the plant Operators are hereby directed to overcome the odour menace by ensuring proper O&M of the plant besides making arrangement for disposal of RDF in a time bound manner. It is needless to state that non compliance of the aforesaid instructions will attract action as per the conditions of contract.

## Special Commissioner, SWM BBMP

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