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Office Order

Authority discussed the issue of payment of Groundwater extraction charges with effect from 12.11.2020 in the light of its decision taken in Agenda Item No. 53.05 dated 07.9.2022 and also considered at length the reasons given in Para 4 of Agenda item no. 56.03 and vide Resolution no. 56.03 dated 06.12.2022 decided as under:

- i. The ad-interim permission letters issued so far should not have contained condition no. 4 since it was added without express or implied consent of the Unit concerned. Hence, this condition shall be considered as inoperative and deleted as it is void *ab initio*.
- ii. Keeping in view the decision in item 53.05 incorporated as Paragraph 8.2 of the Directions 2022, and the legal issues described in this Agenda Note, a Unit that has obtained or obtains ad-interim permission under the Draft Guidelines shall pay Groundwater Extraction charges from the date of submission of its application or from the date of extraction, whichever is later.
- iii. The actual sum of charges paid by a Unit impacted by this decision shall be adjusted against future dues or refunded, as the case may be.

Dated, Chandigarh: 14.12.2022

Executive Engineer

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