

### **Advisory regarding exemption to Retail Outlets from obtaining Consent**

Number of representations have been received by Government indicating that SPCBs/ PCCs are insisting to get consent for setting up of new Retail Outlets. As per CPCB Document on 'Revised Classification of Industrial Sectors Under Red, Orange, Green and White Categories' dated February 29, 2016, Automobile fuel outlets (only dispensing) have been kept in separate category and may be exempted from the purview of Consent management in view of minor air pollution due to some fugitive emissions during fuel filling operations.

Further, as per Guidelines prepared by CPCB and MoPNG for 'Setting up of Petrol Pumps', all new retail outlets set up with sale potential of 300KL MS per month in cities with population more than 1 lakh, and, with sale potential of 100 KL MS per month in cities having population more than 10 lakh will be required to install Vapour Recovery System (VRS). Accordingly, the Retail Outlets may be exempted from obtaining consent from SPCBs/ PCCs.