

Rc.No. 5593/MSB/LC/2014

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM

Sub: A.P. State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department- MSB Section-Conduct of Mock Drills in all hazardous factories-Certain instructions issued -Reg.

Ref: Memo No.LAE05-14024/21/2020-A SEC-DOF, Dt: 30.12.2024 of Director of Factories, A.P., Vijayawada.

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Attention of all officers is drawn to the reference cited, wherein the Director of Factories has issued instructions to all Deputy Chief Inspectors of Factories in the State to prepare a list of factory-specific mock drills to be conducted within their respective jurisdictions. This list you may obtain from your counter parts of Factories department.

- 2) In this connection, it is emphasized that the industrial buildings involved may handle and store various hazardous and toxic chemicals, including but not limited to:
 - Exothermic Reactors
 - Solvent Plant Explosions
 - Gas Leakages (e.g., incidents similar to LG Polymers-type)
- 3) These Joint mock drills are vital for enhancing safety measures and ensuring effective preparedness to handle potential disasters. The key aspects that need to be focused on during these drills include:
 - (i) **Fire Safety Systems:** Understanding the available fire safety systems and how to operate within the premises.
 - (ii) **Protective Gear:** Identifying the appropriate protective clothing and gear to wear during emergencies.
 - (iii) **Approach to the Fire Spot:** Strategies for safely approaching the fire spot in an industrial setting.
 - (iv) **Precautionary Measures:** Taking necessary precautions during emergency situations to minimize harm.
- 4) **Why joint mock drills and familiarisation of Water reactive Chemicals?**

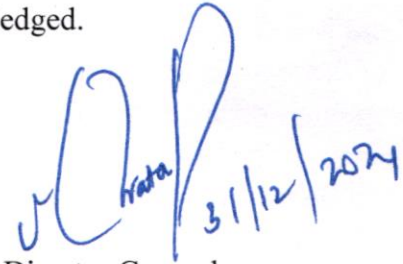
It is important to mention that a significant fire accident occurred on 27.09.2007, at M/Chandak Laboratories (Pvt.) Ltd., located in Kondamadugu Village, Bibinagar Mandal, Nalgonda District, where a chemical production facility caught fire. In this incident, fire service personnel from the Andhra Pradesh Fire and Emergency Services Department, namely M. Rameswara Rao (Leading Fireman), G. Narsinga Rao (Fireman), and E. Vishnu Murthy (Fireman), sustained injuries during firefighting operations including, an employee, R. Mahender Reddy, of the factory. The cause of the accident was identified as a lack of knowledge about the nature of the chemicals being handled, specifically water-reactive substances.

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- 5) In view of the above, all jurisdictional officers are hereby instructed to actively participate in the mock drills as outlined by the Department of Factories. You shall send report outlining any glaring omissions Vis-à-vis, issued valid recent No Objection Certificate from our department.

Please ensure signatures of all participating employees in the mock drill register kept in the company. Moreover, they **shall ensure that all factories under their jurisdiction be covered to conduct mock drills at least once per year.**

- 6) A typical schedule of Mock drills received from factories department is enclosed.
- 7) The receipt of the Circular Memorandum shall be acknowledged.



Director General,
State Disaster Response and Fire Services,
Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

To

- (i) The District Disaster Response and Fire Officers in the State.
(ii) The Asst. District Fire Officer and Station Fire Officers in the State.
(iii) The Regional Fire Officers in the State.
(iv) The Addl. Director of Fire Services, North and South, A.P., Vijayawada.

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FACTOREIS DEPARTMENT**

From,
K.Srinivasa Rao,
Dy.Chief Inspector of Factories,
Vijayawada.

To,
The Occupier/Manager,
MAH A,B1,B2 Factories
Krishna &West Godavari
Districts.

Sir,

Sub:Factories, Act 1948- details of Mock Drills to be conducted in the
Factories -Schedule of mock drills –Reg.

Ref:1.R.C.No.101/DGFS/Genl/2024,Dt.18-12-2024 of The Director General State
Disaster Response and Fire Services, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

2.Memo No.LAE05-14023/31/2024-D SEC-DOF,Dt.19-12-2024 of the Director of
Factories, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

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With reference to the memo 2nd cited, the schedule of mock drills is prepared
as follows. The managements of MAH-A,B1,B2 Factories are requested to conduct
the onsite emergency mock drills as per schedule.

Calendar for Mock Drills in MAH A and B1,B2 Category Factories

Sl.No	Name and Address of the Factory	Mock Drill-1 February-2025	Mock Drill-2 September-2025
Krishna District			
1	CO Foods Processors Pvt Ltd, Arugolanu Village ,Bapulapadu Mandal	First Week	First Week
2	Mulpuri Aqua Processors, Bapulapadu Village & Mandal	First Week	First Week
3	The K.D.M.P.MA.C.U LTD, Veeravalli Village, Bapulapadu Mandal	First Week	First Week
4	Sandya Aqua Exports, Kurumaddali Village, Pamarru Mandal	First Week	First Week
5	Blue Park Sea Food pvt.Ltd, Kurumaddali Village, Pamarru Mandal	First Week	First Week
6	Sandya Aqua Exports (P)Ltd Unit -2, Kurumaddali Village, Pamarru Mandal	First Week	First Week