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National Environment Commission

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Subject: Notification for inclusion of activity under green category

Dasho/Madam/Sir,

The National Environment Commission Secretariat (NECS) is pleased to notify that the installation and operation of non-commercial 'off- the- shelf' biogas system is hereafter listed under green category projects and shall be exempted from requiring Environmental Clearance (EC).

However, the proponent shall be required to ensure that any wastes generated from the installation and operation of the biogas system is managed in line with the Waste Management Act 2009 and its Regulation 2012 (Amendment 2016). In addition, the proponent(s) must fulfill and obtain approvals/clearances/development consent from concerned agencies as required under relevant existing legislations.

This is issued in line with the decision of the 85th Environment Assessment and Technical Committee meeting held on March 15, 2022 which is made based on the authority delegated to the NECS by the 42nd National Environment Commission meeting to exempt activity with low risk on the environment from the Environmental Assessment process.

Should this notification necessitates further clarification, the Environment Assessment and Compliance Division of NECS can be contacted at 02-331160.

Sincerely,

(Phento Tshering)

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