



WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, **M/S. KARAR MOULDER** (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its metal casting unit located at West Dasnagar Nabajiban Samity, P. O. – Dasnagar, P. S. – Jagachha, Dist. – Howrah

WHEREAS, a public complaint was lodged before the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) for creating air pollution & emanation of obnoxious gases by the industry.

WHEREAS, an inspection was carried out by the Regional Office of the Board on 17-04-2007. During inspection it was noted that the industry uses a coke fired crucible furnace for melting of metal scrap for aluminium and brass casting. The crucible furnace is not provided with any chimney for emission of gases neither it is fitted with any pollution control system. It was also noted during the inspection that the unit is operating in a heavily congested residential locality without having “Consent-to-Establish” and Consent-to-Operate” from the Board.

WHEREAS, metal casting is a “Red Category” activity which is not permitted under the current siting policy of the Board, which came into force after 1997. It is clear from the Trade License issued by the Howrah Municipal Corporation that the industry is established only in the year 2006, violating the siting restriction of the Board.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on 18-05-2007 involving the industry and the complainants at the Head Office of the Board.

WHEREAS, during hearing the complainants also submitted that the plots in the area, was allocated by the R. R. Department, Government of West Bengal for residential purpose and the unit is operating illegally in the area without any permission from the statutory authorities and causing air pollution in the congested area.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the inspection report dated 17-04-2007 and considering the nature of public complaint **M/S. KARAR MOULDER** is hereby permanently closed by the Board in exercise of the powers conferred under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, Environment (Protection) Act, The electricity connection of **M/S. KARAR MOULDER** will also be disconnected forthwith.

The Secretary, WBSEB is requested to disconnect the electricity connection of the industry in question forthwith.

The Officer-In-Charge, Jagachha Police Station under W. B. Police is directed to execute the Closure Order against the aforementioned unit and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-In-Charge, Jagachha Police Station and the Secretary, WBSEB in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21-08-1998 and 28-04-1999 respectively.

The Environmental Engineer, Howrah Regional Office of the State Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and also visit the units involving the local police station and Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district to oversee the proper execution of the closure order and also ensure the disconnection of electricity of the unit.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority.

Order

Sd/-

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