



WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred as the Board) issued the following directions to the operating sponge iron industries in the State of West Bengal with the objective of minimizing defused emission from its industrial operation as also improving the house keeping conditions.

1. Under no circumstances the industry shall store any dust, coal char, coal fines etc. in open space.
2. The dust collection system in the ESP should be provided with pneumatic control system along with silo and pug mill.
3. The industry must provide 'Dry Fog Dust Suppression System' for controlling fugitive emission.
4. Concrete/paved road must be provided with the factory premises.
5. Atleast two tankers must be provided by the industry for ensuring continuous water spraying within and outside the factory premises. Contract agreement or documentary proof to be submitted to WBPCB for the same.
6. Good house keeping shall be maintained and the industry shall develop green buffer zone along the inside periphery of the factory premises, covering at least 40% of total area.

WHEREAS, the directions were ordered to be complied by November 2nd, 2007 i.e. within six months from the date of issuance of the direction dated 3rd May, 2007.

WHEREAS, after giving enough opportunity, the sponge iron industries were called for a hearing on 17-03-2008 and 20-03-2008 to assess the status of compliance of the sponge iron units vis-à-vis the above directions.

WHEREAS, the sponge iron units were recorded to have poor compliance of the directions by the Board.

NOW THEREFORE, in due consideration of the records regarding the above noncompliance recorded during the course of hearing, **M/S. SEN FERRO ALLOY (P) LTD., M/S. DIVYAJYOTI SPONGE IRON (P) LTD., M/S. VIKASH METAL & POWER LTD., M/S. VISION SPONGE PVT. LTD., M/S. ASL IRON & STEEL CO. (P) LTD., M/S. SRS SPONGE IRON (P) LTD.** are allowed further extension of time up to September, 15, 2008 for complete compliance of all the directions with imposition of **Pollution Cost of Rs.5.00 Lakhs (Rupees Five Lakhs)** each within fifteen days from the date of issuance of this direction for noncompliance of the Board's direction.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order

Sd/-

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