



WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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DIRECTION FOR CLOSURE WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/S. SANGAM PROCESSING (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its dyeing & bleaching of hosiery fabrics at Vill. – Khamar, P. O. & P. S. – Rajarhat Bishnupur, District – 24 Parganas (North).

WHEREAS, a public complaint was lodged before the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred as the Board) alleging emission of black smoke and discharge of obnoxious coloured effluent without any treatment directly to the Noai Khal by the industry.

WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by the Board Officials on 23-02-2002 when the following observations were made:

1. The unit was granted “Consent-to-Establish” by the Board in the year 2002 for installation of only one oil-fired boiler. However, the inspection revealed that the industry has installed two additional boilers (one oil-fired and one coal-fired) without obtaining “Consent-to-Establish” from the Board. The coal-fired boiler is not provided with emission control system and was observed emitting black smoke.
2. The unit is also operating without installation of Effluent Treatment Plant and the untreated Ocoloured obnoxious liquid effluent is being discharged directly to the Noai Khal.
3. Currently the unit is operating without obtaining “Consent-to-Operate” from the Board. Although the unit was granted NOC by the Board in the year 2002, the unit submitted application for obtaining “Consent-to-Operate” for the first time only on 19-02-2009 which could not be granted as the unit is operating violating all the major “Consent-to-Establish” conditions.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 26-06-2009 involving both the industry and the complainant, but nobody on behalf of the complainants were present during the hearing.

WHEREAS, the Partner of the industry appearing in the hearing could not submit any proper explanation for the above noncompliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the nature of noncompliance as recorded above and also the recalcitrant attitude of the industry towards compliance of environmental norms, **M/S. SANGAM PROCESSING** is hereby closed by the Board. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be disconnected immediately.

The Director, WBSedCL is requested to make necessary arrangement to disconnect the electricity connection of the industry immediately.

Suspension of closure will be considered only after compliance of the following conditions by the industry

1. Statutory permission to be obtained from the Board for the additional boilers.
2. Complete commissioning of bag filter as emission control system for the coal-fired boiler to comply with the emission standard
3. Installs effluent treatment plant to treat its liquid waste to comply with the liquid discharge standard.
4. That the unit will have to submit a self-compliance report to the Board immediately after completion of the stipulated time period.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution), Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

The closure order will take immediate effect and Officer-In-Charge, Rajarhat Bishnupur Police Station under West Bengal 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, Rajarhat Bishnupur Police Station and the Director, M/S. WBSEDCL, in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21-08-1998 and 28-04-1999 respectively.

Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake Regional Office of the State Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and also visit the unit 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.

By Order,

Sd/-

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