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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. BESCO LTD. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is engaged in manufacturing of wagons through engineering and fabrication activities along with spray painting at 8, Anil Moitra Road, P.S. Gariahat, Kolkata 700 019.

WHEREAS, the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) received public complaint against the industry for causing environmental hazards in the surrounding area.

WHEREAS, the pollution problem generated from the industry is an old one. Previously, the Board received complaints against the industry, caused number of inspections, hearings and issued directions. Ultimately, the problem was sorted out by shifting some of the operations of the industry to its other unit in Baruipur, South 24 Pgs.

WHEREAS, on receiving the present complaint, the industry was inspected by Board officials on five (05) occasions and subsequently a hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 28/05/2010 involving the industry and complainants. Both parties were heard during the hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the observations of the inspecting officials and the submission made by the industry and the complainants during the hearing, the Board is hereby pleased to direct M/s. BESCO LTD. to strictly comply with the directions as under :

1. **That** the high level noise generating processes for manufacturing wagon such as riveting, grinding, hammering, loading and unloading wagon frames by heavy duty cranes etc. shall not be carried out at night time (between 10pm – 6am).
2. **That** the industry is hereby directed to stop all kinds of spray painting activities till erection of proper spray painting booth with pollution control systems within an enclosed area. Such operation should in no case be carried out in the open space at the south-east corner of the factory premises. After erection of proper spray painting booth, the industry will inform the Board for verification. Resumption of spray painting activities may be allowed by the Board only after the Board is satisfied with the measures taken by the industry. But if it is found that the industry is carrying on spray painting activity in the interim period, the Board may issue regulatory order including closure order against the industry.
3. **That** movement of trucks and trailers in the Anil Moitra Road bound to and from the industry shall not be allowed during night time.
4. **That** a green belt shall be developed along the southern and northern periphery of the factory premises for attenuation of noise level in the neighborhood.
5. **That** the industry shall reduce its production capacity so that less noise is generated at the source. The industry shall submit an undertaking with details of reduced production activities to the Board within a period of 15 (fifteen) days from hereof.

6. **That** the industry should submit a **Pollution Cost** of **Rs.2.00 lakhs** (Rupees two lakhs) only within fifteen [15] days from the date hereof by Demand Draft to be drawn on Service Branch, Kolkata / Banker's cheque in favour of the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** for operating the spray painting activities without adopting appropriate pollution control system.
7. **That** the industry should submit a **Bank Guarantee** (proforma enclosed) of Rs.20.00 lakhs. (Rupees twenty lakhs) only valid for twelve [12] months within fifteen [15] days from the date of issue of this direction in favour of the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**, as an assurance to comply with the directions of the Board in future within the stipulated time frames.

The Camac Street Regional Office of the Board and Dr. Debasish Chakraborty, Scientist may inspect the industry from time to time to assess its compliance status and if the industry is found continuing to violate the environmental norms, the Board will be at liberty to take stricter regulatory action including closure of the industry and forfeiture of Bank Guarantee amount.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and Noise (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 especially notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-

(Subrata Ghosh)

Chief Engineer

Operation & Execution Cell

West Bengal Pollution Control Board