



West Bengal Pollution Control Board

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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. West Bengal Chemical Industries Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) operates its bulk drugs and some non drug items manufacturing unit at 145/1, Jessore Road, Kolkata – 700 089, P.S.- Lake Town.

WHEREAS, the industry was earlier called for a hearing by the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 24/04/2009 due to a public complaint. The industry was then directed by the Board to comply with the recommendations made by the Technical Committee of the Board within 11/07/2009.

WHEREAS, the industry was re-inspected on 01/09/2009 following further complaints alleging very pungent smell/odour along with emanation of noise from the operation of the industry resulting in health hazards to the neighbouring residents. The industry was in operation during inspection on 01/09/2009.

WHEREAS, it is clear from the observations made by the inspecting officials that the industry has not complied with the directions issued by the Board vide memo 1142-2A/Z-II/R/076-95/96 dt. 11/05/2009.

WHEREAS, during inspection the noise level measured at the residence of a complainant, Shri G. R. Pagharia, depicts violation of the Noise Rules.

Location of measurement		Ambient noise level measured on the road in front of flat of Shri G. R. Pagharia
Noise level measured from the backside corridor	Noise level measured from the bedroom	
80.4 dB(A) <i>Leq</i>	72.8 dB(A) <i>Leq</i>	50.5-51.6 dB(A)

WHEREAS, they industry was called for a hearing by the Board on 20/05/2010 due to repeated public complaints and the non-compliance as recorded above.

WHEREAS, the representatives of the industry appearing in the hearing could not provide any proper explanation for failing to comply with the Board's directions. The complainants mentioned about severe acetic acid smell along with other pungent odour generated during the operation of the industry which creates an unbearable situation in the locality. The representatives of the industry requested for some more time to comply with a directions issued by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the observation of the inspecting officials and the submission made by the industry and complainants, **M/s. West Bengal Chemical Industries Ltd.** is hereby granted a further time up to July 2010 for complete compliance of the environmental norms and the directions issued by the Board.

The industry is directed to submit a **Pollution Cost** of **Rs.1.00 lakhs** (Rupees One lakh) 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 non-compliance with the environmental norms and Board's directions.

The industry is further directed to submit a **Bank Guarantee** (proforma enclosed) of **Rs.2.00 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 Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake Regional Office of the Board is requested to inspect the industry in the **end of July 2010** to check the status of compliance of this direction and send report to the headquarters accordingly. If the industry is still found continuing to violate the above directions, the Board will be at liberty to take regulatory action including forfeiture of Bank Guarantee amount and closure of the industry.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Noise (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 especially notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-

(Subrata Ghosh)

Chief Engineer

Operation & Execution Cell

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