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NOTICE FOR CLOSURE

WHEREAS, M/s. Super Smelters Ltd. (Unit-III) (hereinafter referred to as the industry) operates its sponge iron plant having 2 x 100 TPD DRI kilns and 1 x 25 MT/heat induction furnace at **Jamuria Industrial Estate, Rajaram Danga, Aam Bagan, P.O.- Ikrah, P.S.- Jamuria, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 336**

WHEREAS, a mass complaint was received by the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred to as the Board) from the villagers of Ikrah and other adjacent areas alleging severe pollution from the sponge iron units established in the area.

WHEREAS, an inspection of the industry was conducted by Asansol Sub-Regional Office of the Board on 30/03/2010. During inspection both the DRI kilns were in operation. High fugitive emission was observed at fine coal injection section and cooler discharge section. Dumping of raw materials, iron ore and coal was found in open area. Internal roads were found full of dust.

WHEREAS, during inspection, monitoring of fugitive and stack emission were carried out. The values tabulated below for fugitive emission show gross non-compliance :-

Location	TSPM in $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$
Near cooler discharge & DRI-II	8644.18
Product separation house	8733.58
Permissible Limits	2000

WHEREAS, the Board earlier issued an order for closure with disconnection of electricity on 04/08/2008 against the industry for non-compliance.

WHEREAS, a technical hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 24/06/2010 involving both the industry and the complainants.

WHEREAS, the complainants present during the hearing mentioned that although they were suffering due to emission from the sponge iron units in Jamuria area, this particular industry had done some positive work regarding corporate social responsibility.

WHEREAS, the Director of the industry appearing in the hearing submitted that although they do not have any particular program under corporate social responsibility, they have undertaken several activities for the benefit of the nearby villagers and to maintain a pollution free environment. Plantation work is being done inside the plant as well as in nearby schools. Daily sprinkling of water is being done to suppress road dust on the roads outside the plant also. Drinking water is supplied on a regular basis to the nearby villagers. Inside the plant the industry has taken all possible measures for compliance with the six point directives issued by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the non-compliance as stated above in the recent report of inspection, the submission made by the complainants and the submission made by the Director of the industry, **M/s. Super Smelters Ltd. (Unit-III)** is hereby granted a **time period of 45 (forty-five) days** from hereof for taking necessary upgradation / modification measures for total compliance of the six point directives and other directions issued by the Board so as to comply with the stipulated standards for fugitive as well as stack emission at all times.

Failure to comply with the directions above within the specified time frame of 45 (forty-five) days from hereof will attract immediate closure of the industry along with disconnection of electricity without any further reference.

The industry is further directed to submit an action plan in this regard within 7 (seven) days from hereof. This action plan will also include the work to be undertaken towards corporate social responsibility by the industry.

The industry shall submit a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) for Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakhs) only, valid for twelve [12] months within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of this direction in favour of the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**, as an assurance to comply with the above directions.

The Asst. Environmental Engineer & In-charge, Asansol Sub-regional Office of the Board will inspect the industry immediately after expiry of the stipulated time period of **45 (forty-five) days** from hereof to assess the status of compliance on the part of the industry. On the basis of the status of environmental compliance of the industry, the final order will be issued by the Board after conducting a hearing at Durgapur involving the complainants and also in presence of the representatives of ADDA.

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

By Order,

Sd/-

(Subrata Ghosh)

Chief Engineer

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