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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Maa Chinnamastika Steel & Power Limited (hereinafter referred to as the industry) operates its sponge iron industry at Vill.- Madandih, P.O.- Bartoria, P.S. Neturia, Dist.- Purulia, Pin - 723 121.

AND WHEREAS, as per records kept and maintained by the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred to as the Board) the industry a long history of non-compliance which is recorded below:-

1. The industry was penalized with a Pollution Cost of Rs. 2.00 lakhs and a Bank Guarantee of Rs. 2.00 lakhs on 03/05/2007 for gross non-compliance.
2. The industry was issued closure order with disconnection of electricity by the Board on 14/08/2007 for non-compliance of environmental norms. Suspension of the closure order along with restoration of electricity was issued on 23/08/2007
3. On 23/05/2008 the industry was directed to submit a Bank Guarantee of Rs. 10.00 lakhs for non-compliance of six point directives issued by the Board.
4. The industry was called for a hearing on 11/09/2009 for failing to comply with the particulate emission standard (20/01/2009 – 1139.50 mg/Nm³) and also as repeated inspections on 20/02/2009, 17/03/2009, 09/06/2009, 09/07/2009 revealed that the industry was operating their rotary kilns without the ESP being functional. Fugitive emission was also high. The Technical Committee had then recommended for immediate closure of the industry with disconnection of electricity.

AND WHEREAS, earlier the industry was inspected on 22/12/2010 by the Board when although the rotary kiln 1 was in operation for production of sponge iron, ESP attached to kiln 1 was non-functional. Heavy leakage from the top of ABC of rotary kiln 1 was observed. The fugitive emission at product house section was visibly high. The internal housekeeping was observed to be poor.

AND WHEREAS, the said industry was called for a hearing by the Board on 27/01/2011. The Director of the industry appearing in the hearing submitted that they have taken over the operation of the industry from November 2010. He mentioned that the non-compliance observed on 22/12/2010 was due to a malfunction in the TRCC panel which was subsequently rectified. He also mentioned that they had taken several up-gradation measures like modification of filter bags etc. so as to comply with the environmental norms.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the observation of the inspecting officials and submission made by the industry during hearing, the Board hereby directs the industry to deposit a Pollution Cost of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs) only within 15 (fifteen) days from the date hereof by Demand Draft to be drawn on Service Branch, Kolkata / Banker's cheque in favour of **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**.

The Asst. Environmental Engineer & Incharge, Asansol Sub-Regional of the Board is requested to inspect the industry within April 2011 to assess the present status of compliance on the part of the industry. This direction is issued in exercise of the power conferred under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and 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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