WHEREAS, M/s. ASPS Developers LLP (hereinafter referred to as the project proponent) has obtained Environmental Clearance for their proposed project “Flora Fountain” located at 45, Chistopher Road, KMC Ward No-58, Kolkata-700 046 for construction of a residential complex comprising of 2 Blocks of G+24 storied having 336 nos. residential flats and total built up area 58578.387 sq.m. Estimated total project cost submitted by project proponent Rs. 150 crores. The project has already obtained CTE from the State Board for its ongoing project.

AND WHEREAS, the project site was inspected by the officials of the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 07/01/2019. During inspection emission of dust was observed due to absence of water sprinkling arrangement and scattered uncovered storage of construction material and debris throughout the project site. No screen cover was at all used during construction. No plantation activity or dedicated area for such purpose was observed. Overall gross violation of environmental norms was observed.

AND WHEREAS, the project proponent was called for a hearing on 18/02/2019 for non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board official.

AND WHEREAS, the Project Manager appeared in the hearing and admitted about the very poor compliance status of environmental norms. The project proponent could not submit any valid document regarding implementation of CSR plan (2% of total project cost) conditions given in the Environmental Clearance. The Project Manager of the project assured that they would take all necessary actions to comply with all conditions given in the Environmental Clearance.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the above, M/s. ASPS Developers LLP for their proposed project “Flora Fountain” located at 45, Chistopher Road, KMC Ward No-58, Kolkata-700046 is hereby directed as follows:-

1. Time bound implementation program of CSR conditions given in the Environmental Clearance should be submitted within 07 days.
2. The unit shall strictly comply with the conditions given in the Environmental Clearance.
3. The industry shall submit a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakh) 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 (Corporation Bank IFSC Code CORP 0000663) as an assurance to comply with the environmental norms in future.
4. In case of non-compliance of this direction necessary legal action will be initiated.

The Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake Regional Office, WBPCB is requested to keep a vigil on the unit.
This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of Section 33A of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 31A of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board