DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Hen Ley Tannery and M/s Chieh Shing Tannery (hereinafter referred to as the industries) located at Plot no. 354 and Plot no. 355, Zone – 5, Calcutta Leather Complex, P.O. Bhojerhat, P.S. CLC, Dist. 24 PGS (S), Pin- 743502 are engaged in manufacturing of finished leather by processing of raw hide.

AND WHEREAS, M/s. Chieh Shing Tannery has installed pre-treatment plant for treatment of non-chrome bearing effluent and M/s. Hen Ley Tannery which is situated at the adjacent plot shares their pre-treatment plant. Chrome bearing effluent produced by the industries is disposed through Common Chrome Recovery Unit (CCRU) of the complex.

AND WHEREAS, the industries were inspected by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 15/05/2018. During inspection the pre-treatment plant was found in operation. An effluent sample was collected from the outlet of the sedimentation tank which has failed to meet the effluent discharge standard. The industries also failed earlier to meet the effluent discharge standard for the samples collected during inspections on 27/03/2017 and 30/11/2016.

The non-compliances are shown below:

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<th>Sample collection point</th>
<th>Date of sampling</th>
<th>Parameter</th>
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<tr>
<td>Outlet of sedimentation</td>
<td>15/05/2018</td>
<td>TSS</td>
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<td>tank</td>
<td>27/03/2017</td>
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AND WHEREAS, ‘Consent to Operate’ of both industries are valid upto 30/09/2021.

AND WHEREAS, earlier the industries were directed by Board vide order dated 08/08/2017 to deposit a BG of Rs. 2 lakh. They have submitted the BG which is valid till 24/09/2018.

AND WHEREAS, a hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 26/07/2018 for the non-compliance as mentioned above.

AND WHEREAS, the partner of the industries appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they would take necessary steps to maintain the pre-treatment plant properly to bring down the TSS level within permissible limit.

NOW THEREFORE, considering repetitive noncompliance of the environmental norms as observed by the State Board official during inspection on 15.05.2018 and on previous occasions, competent authority of the State Board has decided to forfeit entire amount of BG of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakhs) only submitted by the industry. M/s. Hen Ley Tannery and M/s Chieh Shing Tannery located at Plot no. 354 and Plot no. 355, Zone – 5, Calcutta Leather Complex, P.O. Bhojerhat, P.S. CLC, Dist. 24 PGS (S), Pin-743502 are also directed to take adequate measures to maintain and operate the pre-treatment plant properly so as to keep the effluent quality within permissible standards.
The Environmental Engineer Salt Lake Regional Office of the Board is requested to keep a strict vigil on the industry. In case of any further noncompliance, the Board will take strict regulatory action including issuing order for closure & disconnection of electricity.

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 the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

By Order,

Sd/-
Senior Environmental Engineer &
In-charge of Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board