WHEREAS, M/s. Kohinoor Paper & Newsprint Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Falta Industrial Growth Centre, Sector-V, Phase-II, P.O.- Kalatalahat, P.S.- Ramnagar, Dist.- South 24 Pgs., Pin-743 504 is engaged in manufacturing of writing paper, printing paper & newsprint paper from waste paper (production capacity- 4200 MT per month). It has 6 MW cogeneration power plant.

AND WHEREAS, the industry has an effluent treatment plant consisting of equalization tank, chemical mixing tank, primary clarifier, aeration tank, secondary clarifier. The treated effluent is stored in two holding tanks and recycled to paper machine, pulp mill and also used for gardening etc. The industry has a coal-fired 32 TPH boiler which is provided with ESP (with 3 fields) followed by a stack of height 60m from G.L., a coal handling plant (CHP) which is provided with bag filter and connected to a stack of height 40ft. from G.L.

AND WHEREAS, during inspection by the official of the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 05/01/2018, the ETP was not in operation fully as the secondary clarifier was completely defunct. It appeared that untreated effluent was discharged bypassing the ETP. Sludge deposition was noticed in the adjoining areas of ETP. The boiler was in operation and the ESP was running with one field only resulting in dense smoke emission through the stack. Severe fugitive dust emission was also noticed in the boiler area, ash silo loading area. Ash handling was found to be very poor. The industry was earlier directed vide letter dated 09/01/2017 & 06/03/2017 to raise the height of the stack connected to the CHP to 20m from G.L. The industry has not yet raised the stack height.

AND WHEREAS, the industry has installed online continuous effluent monitoring system but during inspection the circuit was found disconnected and the OCEMS was displaying a prefixed result.

AND WHEREAS, Consent to Operate of the industry is valid upto 31/03/2021.

AND WHEREAS, hearing of the industry was arranged by the Board on 08/02/2018 for the above mentioned violations.

AND WHEREAS, the representative of the industry appeared in the hearing and submitted that their plant was under shut down since a long time and the same was re-started on 02/01/2018, hence there were some problems in the pollution control systems. He informed that presently the production has been stopped for rectification work of the effluent treatment plant. He stated that ESP problem has been rectified.

AND WHEREAS, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has issued an order on 15/02/2018 directing the industry to close down all manufacturing operations.
NOW THEREFORE, considering the gross violation of environmental norms on the part of the industry, M/s. Kohinoor Paper & Newsprint Pvt. Ltd. located at Falta Industrial Growth Centre, Sector-V, Phase-II, P.O.- Kalatalahat, P.S.- Ramnagar, Dist.- South 24 Pgs., Pin-743 504 is hereby directed not to carry out any manufacturing operations till completion of rectification work of the effluent treatment plant and suspension of the closure order by CPCB.

The Environmental Engineer, Alipore Regional Office of the Board is requested to verify the compliance of the direction.

This direction is issued in exercise of the power conferred under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder, after being approved by the competent authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
Sr. Environmental Engineer & In-Charge
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board