CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/s. Shiv Shankar Sponge Iron Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Vill.-Dantia, P.O. –Shyamnagar, P.S. - Balarampur, Dist.- Purulia, Pin-723143 is a Sponge Iron manufacturing industry, having DRI Kilns 2 x 50TPD attached with separate ESP and common stack of height approx. 35m from the GL Cooler Discharge, Product House & Raw material handling section are attached with individual bag filter and separate chimney of height 30m each.

AND WHEREAS, a public complaint against the industry was submitted to the District Magistrate, Purulia against the said industry for environmental noncompliances which was duly forwarded to the State Board. Accordingly the industry was inspected by the official of the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the State Board) on 06/02/2019.

AND WHEREAS, during inspection only one number DRI Kiln was in operation. Huge fugitive emission was noticed from different section of DRI Kiln and other areas of the plant. Emission from ABC cap was also noticed during inspection. Coal, raw material etc. were found kept under open sky without any cover. Housekeeping was found poor. Heavy vehicle movement road of the unit was found not concreted or metalized. Show cause notice was issued by the State Board on 07/02/2019. The unit has submitted a reply to the show cause letter to Asansol Regional Office on 19/02/2019.

AND WHEREAS, on earlier occasion emission from ABC cap of 02 nos. DRI Kilns and its stack were also noticed during 4-00 p.m. to 5-00 p.m. on 21/01/2019 and direction was issued by the State Board dated 24/01/2019 for submission of action taken report to the office.

AND WHEREAS, the industry failed to comply with the emission standard for DRI Kilns & Product House and DRI Kilns on 10/04/2018 and 20/09/2018 respectively during stack monitoring conducted by the concerned State Board officials. The results are given below:-

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<th>Date of sampling</th>
<th>Sample collected from</th>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Results obtained (mg/Nm(^3))</th>
<th>Permissible limit (mg/Nm(^3))</th>
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<td>10/04/2018</td>
<td>Stack attached to Rotary Kiln 1 &amp; 2</td>
<td>PM</td>
<td>468.23</td>
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<td>Stack attached to Product House</td>
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<td>20/09/2018</td>
<td>Stack attached to Rotary Kiln 1 &amp; 2</td>
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AND WHEREAS, the industry has valid ‘Consent to Operate’ up to 31/07/2022. The industry does not possess Authorization for Hazardous waste.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing on 15.03.2019 for the above mentioned non-compliance of environmental norms.
AND WHERAS, the Director of the industry appeared in the hearing and agreed with the above mentioned observations. But he could not submit any satisfactory explanation to the non-compliance of environmental norms as recorded above.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the non-compliance of environmental norms as mentioned above, M/s. Shiv Shankar Sponge Iron Pvt. Ltd. located at Vill.-Dantia, P.O. –Shyamnagar, P.S.-Balarampur, Dist.- Purulia, Pin-723143 is hereby closed by the Board with immediate effect.

The electricity connection of the industry is ordered to be disconnected forthwith.

The Director (HR), WBSEDCL is requested to take necessary steps for disconnection of electricity of the industry immediately.

The closure order will take immediate effect and the Officer-in-Charge, Balarampur Police Station, Durgapur is directed to execute the closure order against the aforementioned industry and submit a compliance report to the State Board within seven (07) days from the receipt of this order.

The Senior Environmental Engineer, In-charge of Asansol Regional Office, West Bengal Pollution Control Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order against the industry and also visit the industry involving the local police station and the Nodal Police Officer.

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