WHEREAS, M/s. TRA General Hospital (hereinafter referred to as Health Care Unit) located at 7, Dr. Biresh Guha Street, Kolkata-700 017 is a private hospital with 56 beds.

AND WHEREAS, the Health Care Unit (HCU) was inspected by the officials of West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 03/03/2016. The following observations were made during inspection:

- No colour coded plastic bags were observed at the unit, bio-medical wastes were not segregated at source.
- The unit has no needle cutter. Used needles/syringes are disposed of in non-mutilated condition.
- The nurses and the Gr-D staffs handling the bio-medical waste are not conversant with the methodology of the biomedical waste segregation according to the provisions of the Rules as well as the guideline provided by the operator of the common biomedical waste treatment facility.
- The unit has no room for temporary storage of bio-medical waste. Mixed bio-medical waste was found stored inside an open vat in front of the unit.
- No record of bio-medical waste generation is maintained. However, the unit produced the manifest supplied by the common biomedical waste treatment facility operator.
- The unit has no weighing machine to check the weight of Bio-medical waste generated from the unit.

AND WHEREAS, the Consent to Operate and Bio-medical Waste Authorisation of the HCU were valid upto 31/12/2014 (fees valid upto 31/04/2017).

AND WHEREAS, the HCU was called for a technical hearing on 03/05/2015 at the Head Office of the Board due to violation of environmental norms as recorded above.

AND WHEREAS, the representative of the HCU appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they would take necessary action within one month for compliance of BMW rules.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the submission of the HCU, M/s. TRA General Hospital located at 7, Dr. Biresh Guha Street, Kolkata-700 017 is hereby directed as follows:

1. **That**, the HCU shall strictly abide by all the provisions of the Bio-medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998 and its subsequent amendments.

2. **That**, the HCU shall segregate different categories of bio-medical wastes at the point of generation and keep the same in colour-coded bags/containers as per the BMW rules.

3. **That**, the HCU shall procure needle cutters and keep the same at the concerned places.

4. **That**, the HCU shall mutilate used disposable needles/syringes before disposal. All the plastic disposable items like saline bottles, I.V. Fluid bottles shall be mutilated before disposal.
5. That, the HCU shall provide a room for temporary storage of bio-medical waste with bio-hazard symbol & arrange weighing machine to check weight of the generated waste before handing over to the staff of TSDF operator.

6. That, the HCU shall arrange in-house training programme for their staff regarding the methodology of the bio-medical waste handling & management as per the provisions of the BMW rules.

7. That, the HCU shall properly maintain bio medical waste generation register and manifest.

8. That, the HCU shall submit a compliance report to the Board in regard to the above directions within 15th June, 2016.

9. That, the HCU shall submit Annual Return in Form-II within 31st January every year.

The officials of Camac Street Circle Office will keep vigil on the HCU. In case of further non-compliance in future, the Board may issue strict regulatory order including ‘Notice for Closure’.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder especially the Bio-medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998 as amended after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

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