MEMO NO.: 1819 -PCB-HGY/2267(1)-06

DATE:  11/09/07

CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/S. LAKHOTIA TEX PRO (P) LTD. (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its dyeing & bleaching unit at Vill.: - Jagannathpur, P. O. – Bamunari, Dist. – Hooghly, PIN – 712 250.

WHEREAS, the industry was closed by the WEST BENGALE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) on 13-07-2006 for establishing the plant and running the same without obtaining “Consent-to-Establish” and “Consent-to-Operate” from Board and also operating the plant without commissioning the Air Pollution Control (APC) system and the Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP)

WHEREAS, in consideration of the inspection report dated 01-11-2007 revealing that the industry has installed APC and ETP, the suspension of closure order was issued on 22-12-2006 by the Board with the following conditions:

I. That, the said unit should operate its pollution abatement system maintaining the environmental norms.

II. That, the said unit should always keep its pollution control system operative during manufacturing process

WHEREAS, the unit was inspected by the Regional office of the WEST BENGALE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) on 03-03-2007 and 08-06-2007. From the inspection report it is revealed that the unit was not operating the Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) and discharging the effluent by passing the ETP. They were also found discharging the scrubber water to the adjacent panchayat drain without any treatment through an outlet, which is not mentioned in the “Consent-to-Operate” application, which is the gross violation of the environmental statute. The industry has not yet applied for the authorization under Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Rules for handling ETP sludge thus attracting the Order of the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India passed in W. P. (C) No.657 of 1995.

WHEREAS, a hearing was conducted on 10-08-2007 in the head office of the Board involving the industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the inspection reports dated 03-03-2007 & 08-06-2007 and in consideration of the willful violation of the environmental statutes as well as the Board’s order as referred above by the industry, M/S. LAKHOTIA TEX PRO (P) LTD., is
hereby closed by the Board. Suspension of Closure Order will only be considered by the Board after compliance of the following directions and verification of the same through physical inspection.

1. That the industry will have to always comply with the particulate emission standard by efficient functioning of the pollution control system for its coal fired boiler
2. That, the industry will have to always comply with the liquid discharge standard by continuous and efficient functioning of the ETP.
3. That, the industry should dismantle/close the outlet bypassing arrangement ETP.
4. That, the industry should immediately obtain Authorization under the Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Rules from the Waste Management Cell of the Board.
5. That, the industry should stop its activity whenever the pollution abatement system fails to function for whatever reasons and the same should be intimated to the Board immediately.


The Secretary, WBSEB is requested to take action for disconnection of the electricity of the said industry immediately.

The closure order will take immediate effect and Officer-In-Charge, Dankuni Police Station under W.B. Police, is directed to execute the Closure Order against the aforementioned industry and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-In-Charge, Dankuni Police Station and the Secretary, WBSEB, in conformity with the order of the Hon’ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21-08-1998 and 28-04-1999 respectively.

Environmental Engineer, Hooghly Regional Office of the State Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and also visit the industry involving the local police station and Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district to oversee the proper execution of the closure order and also ensure the disconnection of electricity of the unit.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority.

Order

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