WHEREAS, M/S. LOKENATH STONE CRUSHING MILL (hereinafter referred as the mill) operate its stone crushing unit at Vill.: - Birpara, P. O. & P. S. – Alipurduar, Dist. – Jalpaiguri, PIN – 736 121

WHEREAS, a public complaint was lodged before the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) alleging generation of dust and emanation of sound by the mill resulting in not only health hazard but damages of crops.

WHEREAS, the inspection of the mill on 23-08-2007 revealed that the mill operates two jaw crushers of capacity 90 HP each (one of the two jaw crushers has been newly installed). The mill has the facility to wet the boulder before feeding it to the crusher and spraying of water at the starting point of each conveyer. The mill has constructed wind breaking brick wall of height 7 ft. from G.L. at the Southern side. The noise level monitored at the complainants’ residence which was found to be not alarmingly high.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted in the Head Office of the Board on 15-10-2007 involving the mill and the complainants. No body on behalf of the complainants appeared in the hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the inspection report and in exercise of the powers conferred under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder M/S. LOKENATH STONE CRUSHING MILL is hereby directed as under.

1. That, the mill will operate the water sprinkler properly for suppression of dust.
2. That, the mill will have to create a wide (30 m) closely spaced (2m X 1.5. m.) vegetative barrier around it preferably of species like Debdaru
2. That, the mill will not operate the new jaw crusher for which they have submitted “Consent-to-Operate before the Board.
3. “Consent-to-Establish” for the 2nd jaw crusher will be considered once the vegetative barrier raises up to the height of 10 feet. The unit will not operate its 2nd jaw crusher without obtaining “Consent-to-Establish” and “Consent-to-Operate” from the Board.
In case of noncompliance of the above direction within the stipulated time, the Board will have no other alternative but to issue closure order without any further reference.

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

Order

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