WHEREAS, a public complaint was received regarding the proposed Sponge Iron Plant of M/S. RASHMI METALIKS apprehending serious air pollution affecting the lives of the people of Kalaikunda Gram Panchayat which was forwarded to the Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal for taking appropriate action.

WHEREAS, the Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal also received a similar letter from the Principal Secretary, Commerce and Industries Department, Government of West Bengal mentioning about a public petition against a proposed sponge iron unit of M/s. Rashmi Metaliks in Kalaikunda Gram Panchayat, West Medinipur received by the Hon’ble Minister-In-Charge of the Department of Commerce & Industries, Government of West Bengal.

WHEREAS, upon receiving these letters an inspection was caused by the West Bengal Pollution Control Board which revealed that M/S. RASHMI METALIKS having its Registered & Corporate Office at Premlata Building, 39, Shakespeare Sarani, 6th Floor, Kolkata – 700 017 has started the installation work for setting up of 6 X 100 TPD rotary kilns at Mouza – Mathura Kismat, Dist. – Paschim Medinipur.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the illegal construction of the sponge iron unit in the name and style of M/S. RASHMI METALIKS – UNIT-II currently under way at Mathura Kismat Mouza, Dist. – Paschim Medinipur, M/S. RASHMI METALIKS having its Registered and Corporate Office at Premlata Building, 39, Shakespeare Sarani, 6th Floor, Kolkata – 700 017 is hereby directed to stop all activities of construction of the project area and any activities relating to setting up of sponge iron unit in the area mentioned above without obtaining necessary “Environmental Clearance” from the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, New Delhi and “Consent-to-Establish” from the State Pollution Control Board under the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution), 1981. Violation of this direction will be dealt with necessary regulatory action under the provisions of the Acts as referred above and also Rules made thereunder.

This direction has been issued under the Provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution), 1981, Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder after taking approval from the Competent Authority.

Order

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