WHEREAS, M/S. GAGAN COMMODITIES PVT. LTD. (hereinafter referred as the industry) operates its sponge iron unit having two rotary kilns at Jamuria Industrial Estate, Vill. & P. O. – Ikrah, P. S. - Jamuria, Dist. – Burdwan.

WHEREAS, the WEST BENGALE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) received a public complaint against the unit alleging pollution caused by the industry affecting the neighbouring local people.

WHEREAS, the industry was inspected on 18-08-2008 when the following observations were made:

1. The industry has changed the course of rivulet Singarani, a tributary of Damodar passing through the premises of the industry by constructing some civil foundation on the bed of the rivulet. It was also observed that the industry has almost blocked the rivulet by disposal of ESP dust. There is also evidence of contaminating the rivulet Singarani with iron ore fines.
2. Dolochar generated by the industry was found dumped in open space, which is noncompliance of the six points directives, which was issued by the Board in the May, 2007.
3. Both the kilns were in operation but the ESP connected to kiln No.1 was not functioning properly. High cap leakage from the ABC cap was observed.

WHEREAS, a technical hearing of the industry was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 19-09-2008.

The Director of the industry appearing in the hearing submitted that they have not disturbed the course of the rivulet and the dumping of waste was not from their unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the inspection report and the contradiction made by the industry regarding interfering with the normal course of the rivulet, M/S. GAGAN COMMODITIES PVT. LTD. is hereby directed as under.

1. That, the industry is allowed six months time from the date of issuance of this direction to restore the rivulet in its original form to the satisfaction of the District Authority.

2. That, the industry should submit a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs.5.00 Lakhs (Rupees Five Lakhs only) valid for twelve (12) months within fifteen [15] days
from the date of issuance of this direction to ensure restoration of the rivulet in its original form within the stipulated time.

3. That, the industry should submit an undertaking on a non-judicial stamp paper that they will not dispose any solid waste into the rivulet which may block its natural course. The industry will not also discharge any liquid effluent into the rivulet to avoid any contamination.

By Order

Sd/-

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