WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/S. R. S. ISPAT LIMITED (hereinafter referred as the industry) operating its ferrous foundry unit having three nos. of induction furnaces along with re-heating furnaces at NH-2, Delhi Road, Vill. – Chakundi, P. O. – Dankuni Coal Coamplex, P. S. – Dankuni, District – Hooghly.

WHEREAS, the report of inspection dated 02-12-2008 carried out by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) revealed that unit was operating induction furnaces keeping the emission control system non-functional resulting in high level of visible emission. The inspection report also revealed that the unit installed common stack for the induction furnace and the re-heating furnaces instead of having individual stacks as per the NOC condition.

WHEREAS, a fresh inspection of the unit on 01-12-2009 revealed that the canopy hoods and ducts commissioned as fume extraction system for the furnaces are in partly dilapidated condition. The two re-heating furnaces are being operated on producer gas. The producer gas plants have individual short stacks.

WHEREAS, a technical hearing of the industry was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 14-12-2009.

WHEREAS, the General Manager of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed to the observations made by the inspecting officials of the Board and admitted that the incident occurred due to fault of the employee responsible and mentioned that appropriate action has already been taken in this regard. The General Manager apologized for the mistakes and mentioned that every possible step would be taken so that such instances are not repeated in future.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the report of inspection dated 01-12-2009 and the submission made by the General Manager of the industry, M/S. R. S. ISPAT LIMITED is hereby directed as under:

1. That, the industry should ensure continuous operation of the pollution abatement system during the manufacturing operations.
2. That, the industry should submit a Pollution Cost of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of this direction by Demand Draft payable at Service Branch at Kolkata/Banker’s Cheque in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD for operating the induction furnaces without operation of the emission control system.
In case of any noncompliance of the above direction, the Board will initiate stricter regulatory action without any further reference in the matter.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

By Order,

Sd/-

(S. Ghosh)

Chief Engineer

West Bengal Pollution Control Board