WHEREAS, M/s. M. ALIJAN WASH CENTRE (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is engaged in dyeing and bleaching activity at Vill.- Chalk Krishnanagar, P.O. & P.S.- Maheshtala, Dist.- South 24 Parganas Vill.- Chalk Krishnanagar, P.O. & P.S.- Maheshtala, Dist.- South 24 Parganas.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing earlier on 21/09/2007 by the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) following a public complaint alleging discharge of hazardous chemicals and spreading of pungent odour by the industry resulting in health hazards to the local people.

AND WHEREAS, an inspection of the industry was conducted on 04/06/2010 by Board official. The industry was in operation during inspection and the following non-compliance were observed during inspection:

1) The ETP was in an in-operative state. The aeration tank and sedimentation tank were high and inaccessible.
2) The effluent was being released into a pond just adjacent to the industry which the Proprietor said belonged to him.
3) Small quantity of sludge was kept in a sludge drying bed covered by tarpaulin sheet. However a designated area for storage of ETP sludge was not found.
4) The display boards installed outside the main gate were not updated.
5) Though the industry has taken membership of CHWTSDF at Haldia in June 2009, as per records available, the industry is yet to dispose the waste to the facility at Haldia.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a technical hearing on 30/07/2010 at the head office of the Board due to the gross violations of environmental norms and statutes as recorded above.

AND WHEREAS, the representative of the industry appearing in the hearing submitted that they had a problem with the pump motor on the day of inspection as a result of which the ETP pump was non-functional. He further submitted that after the inspection, repair work of the pump motor had been taken up on an urgent basis and presently the ETP is functioning normally.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the violations recorded above and the submission made by the industry, M/s. M. Alijan Wash Centre is hereby directed to ensure continuous compliance with the environmental norms and statutes at all times.

The Alipore Regional Office is requested to conduct a joint inspection of the industry along with the Waste Management Cell of the Board and collect effluent samples from the ETP outlet and also from the pond to which the effluent is being finally discharged to verify the current compliance status of the industry. On the basis of the status of environmental compliance of the industry, the final order will be issued by the Board.
This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder especially provisions of the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 as amended, after being approved by the competent authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
(Subrata Ghosh)
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Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board