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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/s. Vooshan (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is a special red category unit engaged in electroplating activity at 63, Lenin Sarani, Kolkata – 700 014, P.S. – Taltola.

AND WHEREAS, it is revealed from the records maintained by the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) that the industry was granted Consent to Operate valid upto 02/10/2002 with the condition to provide pollution control systems in respect of both emission and effluent. But the industry has not yet complied with the conditions of the Consent and after 02/10/2002, the industry has been operating without any valid consent of the Board.

AND WHEREAS, a reminder for renewal of Consent to Operate was issued to the industry by the Board vide memo no. 2186/WBPCB-RO-I/R/599/2002 dt. 24/10/2008.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing at the Head Office of the Board on 23/09/2010 but none appeared for the same.

AND WHEREAS, during subsequent inspection of the industry by Board Officials on 12/11/2009 the following were observed:

- That the industry is operating without valid “Consent to Operate” of the Board.
- That the industry is engaged in electroplating activities
- That the industry is operating without any air pollution control system.
- That the industry is operating without any effluent treatment plant and the effluent is directly discharged to the KMC sewer without and treatment.

AND WHEREAS, another reminder for renewal of Consent to Operate was issued to the industry by the Board vide memo no. 622/WBPCB-RO-I/R/599/2002 dt. 23/11/2009 but the industry has not yet filed any application for renewal of consent.

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred under the 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 and considering the willful non-compliance on the part of the industry as stated above, M/s. Vooshan located at 63, Lenin Sarani, Kolkata – 700 014, P.S. – Taltola is hereby closed by the Board with immediate effect. The electricity connection of the industry is directed to be disconnected forthwith.

The General Manager – Operations (C&M), CESC Ltd, is requested to take necessary steps to disconnect the electricity connection of the industry immediately.
The Closure Order will take immediate effect and the Officer-in-Charge, Taltola Police Station, Kolkata is directed to execute the Closure order against the aforementioned industry and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven (07) days from the date of receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-in-Charge, Taltola Police Station and the General Manager – Operations (C&M), CESC Ltd. Kolkata in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21/08/1998 and 28/04/1999 respectively.

The Environmental Engineer, Camac Street Regional Office of the Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and also visit the industry involving the local police station and the concerned Nodal Police Officer.

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order,

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