DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Sahil Tannery (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Zone-2, Plot No. 195, Calcutta Leather Complex, P.O.- Bhojerhat, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin–743502 is a tannery unit engaged in manufacturing of finished leather by processing of raw hide and skin.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 22/11/2012. During inspection the industry was found in operation. The process generates chrome bearing effluent and non-chrome bearing effluent. Non-chrome bearing effluent is discharged to CLC sewer line through Preliminary Treatment Plant. During inspection the preliminary treatment plant was found to be non-functional. One of the two stirrers of the collection tank of the preliminary treatment plant was found in defunct condition. Chrome bearing effluent is discharged through CCRU facility of the complex. Housekeeping of the industry is poor.

AND WHEREAS, earlier during inspection on 09/02/2010, an effluent sample was collected and the analysis report failed to meet the liquid discharge standard in respect of TSS (1540 mg/l against the permissible limit 600 mg/l) and Total Cr (75.5 mg/l against the permissible limit 45 mg/l).

AND WHEREAS, the validity of last Consent to Operate fees of the industry expired on 30/06/2011. The industry has applied for renewal of Consent on 01/08/2012 with fees cleared up to 30/06/2014.

AND WHEREAS, a hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 30/01/2013 for the non-compliance as mentioned above.

AND WHEREAS, the proprietor of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they have repaired the stirrer and removed the sludge deposited in the pre-settler and presently the pre-treatment plant is functioning properly. He requested for re-inspection of the industry.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the above violation of environmental norms, M/s. Sahil Tannery located at Zone-2, Plot No. 195, Calcutta Leather Complex, P.O.- Bhojerhat, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin–743502 is hereby directed to deposit a Pollution Cost of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) only within 15 (fifteen) days from the date hereof by Demand Draft to be drawn on Service Branch, Kolkata / Banker’s cheque in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD for failing to comply with the environmental norms and statutes.
The Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake Regional Office of the Board is requested to conduct a fresh inspection of the industry within one month to verify the current status of environmental compliance. If the industry is again found continuing to violate the environmental norms, the Board will be at liberty to take stricter regulatory action without any further notice.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
Chief Engineer, O&E Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board