WHEREAS, M/s. Bravo Sponge Iron Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Vill.- Mohuda, P.O.- Rukni, P.S.- Para, Dist.- Purulia, Pin – 723 145 is a sponge iron manufacturing industry having 1X100 TPD & 1X95 TPD Rotary Kilns. The kilns are provided with GCT & ESP followed by a stack of height 42m from G.L

AND WHEREAS, inspection of the industry was conducted by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 26/09/2012, 16/01/2013 & 17/01/2013. The following observations were made during inspection.

Observations made during inspection on 26/09/2012

- High fugitive emission was observed from the product separation house.
- Cap leakage was noticed from the ABC of kiln no. 2.

Observations made during inspection on 16/01/2013 & 17/01/2013

- Cap leakage was found from the ABC of kiln no. 2.
- High fugitive emission was observed from the product separation house.
- Leakage was observed at the bi-metallic seal at the outlet end of the kiln.
- Pneumatic dust handling system of ESP was found in defunct condition and Pug mill arrangement was non-functional.

AND WHEREAS, the industry is yet to comply with all the directions (16 point directives) issued by the Board on 01/06/2012 to the sponge iron industries in West Bengal. As per conditions laid down in the Environmental Clearance issued on 24/03/2008, the industry is yet to install WHRB based Captive Power Plant.

AND WHEREAS, last ‘Consent to Operate’ of the industry expired on 31/12/2010. The industry has applied for renewal of ‘Consent to Operate’ on 21/12/2012.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing on 19/02/13 at the Head office of the Board for non-compliance of environmental norms observed during inspection by the Board officials.

AND WHEREAS, the Director of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that on the day of inspection high fugitive emission and cap leakage had occurred due to power failure. They also submitted that they had already taken necessary steps to comply with the sixteen point directives issued by the Board.
NOW, THEREFORE, considering the non-compliance as mentioned above, the Board is hereby pleased to direct, M/s. Bravo Sponge Iron Pvt. Ltd. located at Vill.- Mohuda, P.O.- Rukni, P.S.- Para, Dist.- Purulia, Pin – 723 145 as follows:

1. That, the industry shall take necessary steps to comply with all the sixteen point directives issued by the Board.

2. That, the industry shall comply with all the Environmental Clearance (EC) conditions.

3. That, the industry shall submit a Pollution Cost of Rs 1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh) only within fifteen [15] 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.

4. That, the industry shall execute a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs 1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh) only valid for twelve (12) months within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of this direction in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD as an assurance to comply with the above direction.

The Asst. Environmental Engineer & In-charge, Asansol Sub-Regional Office of the State Board is requested to keep vigil over the industry and if the industry is found to violate the direction of the Board stricter regulatory order including closure with disconnection of electricity will be issued.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under provisions of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board