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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, M/s. Sin Sin Tannery (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at 47, South Tangra Road, Kolkata- 700 046 is engaged in tannery activity as well as manufacturing of leather goods.

AND WHEREAS, a public compliant was received against the industry regarding illegal operation of tannery.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected on 30/04/2013 by the officials of West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board). During inspection it was observed that in one room there are 3 numbers shaving machines, 3 numbers of drum for wet process and 2 numbers hand spray arrangements. Huge stock of wet blue leather and dry crust leather were observed within the said room. Four rooms were used for leather goods manufacturing activity. During inspection, 01 number shaving machine was in operation and that room was also being used for tanning activity. At the entrance of the room, tannery effluent was found flowing from the shop floor. No raw hide processing or its storage was observed within the industry at the time of inspection. Dyed leather was found laid in the open land for sun drying within the industry premises.

AND WHEREAS, a hearing was conducted at the Head Office of the Board on 26/07/2013.

AND WHEREAS, the representative of the industry appearing in the hearing could not submit trade license, ‘Consent to Establish’ and ‘Consent to Operate’ of the Board. Nobody appeared on behalf of the complainants during hearing.

AND WHEREAS, the Hon’ble Supreme Court was pleased to pass an Order on 22/11/2002 in connection with W.P. No 3727(C) of 1985 (M.C. Mehta..Petitioner Versus Union of India and others Respondents) wherein Hon’ble Supreme Court mentioned that tannery operation should not be undertaken in Tiljala, Topsia, Tangra and Pagladanga Area after 20/02/2002.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the above violation of the Order of the Hon’ble Supreme Court and also non-compliance of environmental norms, M/s. Sin Sin Tannery located at 47, South Tangra Road, Kolkata- 700 046 is hereby closed by the Board with immediate effect.

The electricity connection of the industry is ordered 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, Tangra Police Station under Kolkata Police is directed to execute the Closure order against the aforementioned industry and submit a compliance report to the Board within seven days from the receipt of this Memo.

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

The Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake 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 Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district.

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

This order has the approval of the Competent Authority.

By Order,

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