WHEREAS, M/s. Nikita Metals Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Vill.-Maheshpur, P.O.- Kalyaneswari, P.S.- Salanpur, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 369 is engaged in production of MS ingots an is having 3 nos. Induction Furnaces each of capacity 7 MT/heat. Furnace 1 & 2 are provided with a common bag filter through swivelling hood, spark arrestor and connected to a stack of height 30m from G.L. Furnace 3 is attached to a separate swivelling hood, spark arrestor, bag filter, I.D. Fan as APCD and connected to the stack (common with furnaces 1 & 2).

AND WHEREAS, the industry obtained ‘NOC’ and Environmental Clearance for an oil-fired Reheating Furnace of capacity 35 MT/hr. for production of TMT bar of capacity 7500 MT/month, a continuous casting machine of capacity 10,000 MT/month, 4 nos. Submerged Electric Arc Furnaces (SEAFs) of capacity 5 MVA each for production of ferro-manganese & ferro-silicon of capacity 100 TPD together, but ‘Consent to Operate’ for the same is yet to be obtained.

AND WHEREAS, during inspection on 30/01/2014 by the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) it was observed that the industry has already started operation of 1 no. SEAF without obtaining ‘Consent to Operate’ from the Board and without installing pollution control device. High stack emission as well as huge fugitive emission was noticed from the ferro alloy unit.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a technical hearing on 20/03/2014 at the head office of the Board for violation of environmental norms as recorded above.

AND WHEREAS, the representatives representative of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they had operated one SEAF on trial purpose, but presently no SEAF is being operated. He assured that they would not operate the ferro alloy unit without obtaining Consent to Operate from the Board. They have applied for ‘Consent to Operate’ for the ferro alloy unit on 10/02/2014.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the violations recorded above and the submission made by the industry, the Board hereby directs M/s. Nikita Metals Pvt. Ltd. located at Vill.- Maheshpur, P.O.- Kalyaneswari, P.S.- Salanpur, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 369 as follows:

1. That, the industry shall not start operation of the ferro alloy section without completing the installation work of APC devices and without getting ‘Consent to Operate’ from the Board.

2. That, the industry shall submit a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs) only, valid for twelve [12] months within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of this order in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD as an assurance to comply with the above directions.
The Environmental Engineer, Asansol Sub-Regional Office of the Board is requested to keep vigil on the industry. If the industry is again found to be non-complying, the Board may take stricter regulatory action against the industry.

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 as amended, after being approved by the competent authority.

By Order,

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