WHEREAS, M/s. Shree Rama Iron Foundry (hereinafter referred to as the industry), located at 4, Bhujangadhar Road, PO & PS Liluah, Dist.- Howrah, Pin - 711 204 is a cast iron foundry having 1 no. Cupola Furnace of 4 MT/hr. capacity. The Cupola Furnace is provided with multi-cyclone followed by ID fan and a stack of height 21m from G.L. as air pollution control device (APCD).

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by Board officials on 18/02/2014. During inspection it was observed that the Cupola Furnace was operating without its APCD. Top of the furnace was found open and the emission was totally escaping from the top of furnace engulfing the surrounding area.

AND WHEREAS, ‘Consent to Operate’ of the industry expired on 31/07/2007. In spite of issuing letter by Howrah R.O. for submitting the application for renewal of ‘Consent to Operate’, the industry has not applied for the same till date. The industry has deposited water cess up to December 2003 as per available office records. The industry was directed by Howrah R.O. to pay the outstanding Water Cess amounting Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) only vide letter dated 11/12/2013.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing on 27/03/2014 at the head office of the board for non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board officials.

AND WHEREAS, the representative of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they would submit the renewal application for ‘Consent to Operate’ and pay the outstanding Water Cess amount within fifteen days. He mentioned that on the day of inspection the repairing work of the emission control system was going on. The industry has submitted a letter on 22.04.2014 stating that they have applied for renewal of ‘Consent to Operate’ on 16.04.2014 with requisite fees and deposited water cess up to March 2017. The industry has also engaged an agency for necessary modification/upgradation of the existing APCD and the said work is expected to be completed within 30-45 days hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the above submission of the industry and its small scale nature, the Board is hereby pleased to direct M/s. Shree Rama Iron Foundry located at 4, Bhujangadhar Road, PO & PS Liluah, Dist.- Howrah, Pin - 711 204 as follows:

1. That, the industry shall complete the modification/upgradation work of the existing APCD by June, 2014.

2. That, the industry shall operate its plant with valid’ Consent to Operate’ from the Board.
The Senior Environmental Engineer, Howrah Regional Office of the State Board is requested to visit the industry after 30th June, 2014 to verify the compliance of the above mentioned directions. If the industry is found to be non-complying during inspection, 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