WHEREAS, M/s. BMRI Hospital Pvt. Ltd. (formerly known as Bangur Medicare Research Institute Pvt. Ltd.) [hereinafter referred to as the Health Care Unit-(HCU)], located at 8A, Diamond Harbour Road, Thakurpukur, Kolkata – 700 063 is a 52 bedded HCU with pathology and operation theater facility.

AND WHEREAS, inspection of the HCU was carried out on 20/01/2014 by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board). The following non-compliances were observed during inspection:-

- Bio-medical wastes are not segregated at the source of generation. Mixing of bio-medical wastes with municipal solid waste was observed at every point of generation of bio-medical waste.
- No needle cutter was observed at the HCU. Used needles/syringes were observed to be disposed in non-mutilated condition.
- The nurses and the Group-D staffs handling the bio-medical waste are not conversant with the methodology of the bio-medical waste segregation.
- The HCU has no separate room for temporary storage of bio-medical waste. As informed by the representative of HCU, bio-medical wastes are stored in a place within the hospital building prior to final disposal through CBMWTSSDF operator. However, no bio-medical waste was observed to be stored at that place during inspection.

AND WHEREAS, the last CFO and Bio-medical waste Authorisation of the HCU was valid up to 31/05/2013. The HCU has applied for renewal of CFO and Bio-medical waste Authorisation on 18/12/2013.

AND WHEREAS, the HCU was called for a technical hearing on 20/02/2014 at the head office of the Board for the non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board Officials.

AND WHEREAS, the representative of the HCU appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they have procured needle cutter and have arranged a separate room for temporary storage of bio-medical wastes. He also submitted that training on the methodology of handling/segregation/disposal of bio-medical wastes was arranged for the concerned staffs. The HCU has submitted a report on 03/03/2014 regarding compliance of the BMW Rules.

AND WHEREAS, the HCU was again inspected by the Board on 29/04/2014. During inspection, it was observed that the HCU is presently complying with the relevant provisions of the Bio-medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998.
NOW,THEREFORE, considering the above, the Board is hereby pleased to direct M/s. BMRI Hospital Pvt. Ltd. (formerly known as Bangur Medicare Research Institute Pvt. Ltd.) located at 8A, Diamond Harbour Road, Thakurpukur, Kolkata – 700 063 the following:

1. **That**, the HCU shall strictly abide by all the provisions of the Bio-medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998 and its subsequent amendments.

2. **That**, the HCU shall always operate with valid ‘Consent to Operate’ and ‘Bio Medical Waste Authorisation’ of the Board and clinical licence of CMOH.

The Senior Environmental Engineer, Camac Street Circle Office is requested to process the ‘Consent to Operate’ and ‘BMW Authorisation’ applications of the HCU for grant. If the HCU is found running violating the Board’s direction, the Board may issue stricter regulatory order including ‘Notice for Closure’.

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 the Bio-Medical Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1998 after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

**Sd/-**

Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board