WHEREAS, M/s. Shree Jain Hospital & Research Centre located at 493B/12, G.T. Road(S), P.O. & P.S.- Shivpur, Dist.- Howrah, Pin – 711 102 is 131 beded Health Care Unit [hereinafter referred to as Health Care Unit (HCU)].

AND WHEREAS, inspection of the HCU was carried out on 24/07/2014 by official of West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board). The following observations were made during inspection:-

- Blue and Yellow bags were provided at every ward, but bio-medical wastes were observed not to be properly segregated at source.
- Needle cutters were observed at every concerned place of the HCU, but disposable needles/syringes were observed to be disposed in non-mutilated condition.
- Although the HCU has an intermediate bio-medical waste storage room, but bio-medical waste was found lying on the ground under open atmosphere near the bio-medical waste storage room.
- The HCU has not maintained any record of generation of bio-medical waste.
- Nurses and Group-D staffs handling the bio-medical wastes are not conversant with the methodology of the bio-medical waste segregation according to the provisions of the BMW Rules.
- The HCU has not submitted Annual Report for 2013.

AND WHEREAS, the CFO of the HCU expired on 30/11/2013. The HCU has applied for extension of validity period of CFO on 02/06/2014 (fees cleared up to 31/05/2016). The clinical licence of the HCU is valid up to 14/09/2014. Provisional NOC from Fire Dept., GoWB obtained on 23/12/2013.

AND WHEREAS, the HCU was called for a technical hearing on 21/08/2014 at the head office of the Board due to violation of environmental norms as recorded above.

AND WHEREAS, the representatives of the HCU appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. They submitted that they would take necessary measures in order to comply with the provisions of BMW rules immediately and an action taken report in this regard will be submitted within seven days. They also mentioned that they would organize a training programme for the staff of the HCU regarding the methodology of the bio-medical waste handling/segregation/storage according to the provisions of the BMW Rules and a committee will be formed to look after the BMW management of the HCU.
NOW THEREFORE, considering the above, M/s. Shree Jain Hospital & Research Centre located at 493B/12, G.T. Road(S), P.O. & P.S.- Shivpur, Dist.- Howrah, Pin – 711102 is hereby directed as follows:

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 segregate different categories of bio-medical wastes at the point of generation and keep the same in colour-coded bags/containers as per the BMW rules.

3. **That**, the HCU shall mutilate used disposable needles/syringes before disposal. All the plastic disposable items like saline bottles, I.V. Fluid bottles shall be mutilated before disposal.

4. **That**, the HCU shall properly maintain bio medical waste generation register and manifest.

5. **That**, the HCU shall arrange lock and key for the BMW intermediate storage room & weighing machine to check weight of the generated waste before handing over to the staff of TSDF operator.

6. **That**, the HCU shall submit Annual Return in Form No.-II within 31st January every year as per the provisions of BMW rules.

7. **That**, the HCU shall submit a compliance report within 15 days from hereof.

The Senior Environmental Engineer, Camac Street Circle Office of the State Board is requested to inspect the HCU to verify the status of compliance and if the HCU is found to violate the direction of the Board, stricter regulatory order will be issued.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder especially the Biomedical Waste (Management and Handling) Rules 1998 as amended after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

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Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board