DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Taslim Tannery (hereinafter referred to as the industry) is a new (not relocated) tannery engaged in manufacturing of finished leather by processing of raw hide and skin. It is located at Zone-I, Plot No. 28, CLC, Bhangar, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin – 743 502.

AND WHEREAS, the process generates chrome bearing effluent and non-chrome bearing effluent. The industry has its own preliminary treatment plant for treatment of non-chrome bearing effluent. The chrome liquor is sent to CCRU of the complex. Non-chrome bearing effluent is discharged to CLC sewer line for final treatment in the CETP.

AND WHEREAS, earlier the industry was called for a hearing on 20/02/2014 & 27/03/2014 for non-compliance of environmental norms, but on both occasions the industry did not appear for the hearing. During hearing on 27/03/2014, the Technical committee recommends that a fresh inspection of the industry may be conducted for fair justice.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was again inspected by the officials of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 20/06/2014. During inspection the industry was found in operation. The pump used for lifting effluent from the collection tank was found in dismantled condition. A movable pump provided with flexible pipe whose outlet was found to be put in the final outlet pit of the industry. However no discharge of effluent was noticed during inspection. The industry has not installed any water flow meter either at its process water inlet line or at the effluent outlet line.

AND WHEREAS, the Consent to Operate of the industry was valid up to 31/03/2014. The industry has not applied for renewal of CFO till date.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing by the Board on 21/08/2014 for the non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection.

AND WHEREAS, the son of the proprietor of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they would take corrective measures for efficient functioning of the effluent treatment system in order to comply with the environmental norms in future. He also submitted that they would install water meter at its process water inlet line as early as possible and submit application for renewal of Consent to Operate immediately. He assured that henceforth such non-compliance would not occur.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the nature of non-compliance as recorded above, M/s. Taslim Tannery located at Zone-I, Plot No. 28, CLC, Bhangar, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin – 743 502 is hereby directed to comply with the following:

1. That, the industry shall take necessary measures for efficient functioning of the pre-treatment plant within one month.
2. **That**, the industry shall execute a Bank Guarantee (proforma enclosed) of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh) only valid for twelve (12) months within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of this direction in favour of the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** as an assurance to comply with the above direction.

The Environmental Engineer, Salt Lake Regional Office of the Board is requested to keep strict vigil over the industry and if it is again found continuing to violate the environmental norms, the Board will be at liberty to take stricter regulatory action without any further notice.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 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**