WHEREAS, M/s. Preeti Rice Mill (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Vill.- Manpur, P.O.- Rangamati, P.S.- Arsha, Dist.- Purulia, Pin – 723 201 is a rice mill with production capacity of 830 MT/month.

AND WHEREAS, the industry is having a 3 MT/hr. husk-fired boiler connected to a stack of height 110 ft. from G.L. without any air pollution control device (APCD). The industry has not installed any effluent treatment plant (ETP).

AND WHEREAS, earlier the industry had submitted a Bank Guarantee of Rs. 2.00 lakh to WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) which was valid upto 09/03/2014 as an assurance to install APCD as well as ETP. A show cause notice was issued by the Board to the industry on 21/04/2014 for operating the rice mill without installing ETP & APCD. The industry has submitted a prayer on 30/05/2014 mentioning that they could not install ETP & APCD due to financial constraint and requested to allow extension of the validity period of Bank Guarantee.

AND WHEREAS, Consent to Operate of the industry expired on 09.03.2014 (fees valid upto 30/11/2015).

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a technical hearing on 29.01.2015 at the head office of the Board due to violation of environmental norms as recorded above.

AND WHEREAS, proprietor of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that they would install APCD for boiler & ETP by June 2015 and would issue work order for the said job within 28th February, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the violations recorded above and the submission made by the industry, the Board hereby directs M/s. Preeti Rice Mill located at Vill.- Manpur, P.O.- Rangamati, P.S.- Arsha, Dist.- Purulia, Pin – 723 201 as follows:

1. That, the industry shall complete the installation work of pollution control systems, both ETP and APCD within 30th June, 2015.

2. That, the validity of the existing Bank Guarantee of Rs. 2.00 lakh shall be extended upto 31.12.2015.

The Environmental Engineer, Asansol Regional Office of the Board is requested to conduct an inspection of the industry after June 2015 to verify the status of compliance. 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 Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, 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