WHEREAS, M/s. Raniganj Refractories Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at Vill. & P.O. Mondalpur, P.S. Jamuria, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 344 is a refractory products manufacturing industry. The industry has 3 nos. coal-fired Down Draft (DD) Kilns of capacity 80 Ton/charge, 110 Ton/charge & 130 Ton/charge respectively. The DD Kilns are provided with wet scrubber as air pollution control device (APCD) and connected to a common stack of height 80 ft. from G.L.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by the official of WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 13/11/2014. During inspection two (2) nos. DD Kilns were found in operation, but APCD was non-functional resulting in very high black smoke emission through the stack which engulfed the surrounding area. Similar observation was made during earlier inspection on 19/02/2014 and a show cause notice was issued to the industry on 26/02/2014. The industry did not submit any reply to the show cause notice.

AND WHEREAS, the Consent to Operate of the industry is valid upto 31/07/2015.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing on 29/01/2015 at the head office of the board for non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board officials.

AND WHEREAS, the Director of the industry appearing in the hearing agreed with the above mentioned observations of the Board. He submitted that the APCD was not functioning during inspection on 13/11/2014 due to leakage in scrubber tank which has been repaired and presently it is operating satisfactorily. The industry has submitted stack monitoring report conducted by recognized laboratory of the Board which shows compliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the above submission of the industry, M/s. Raniganj Refractories Pvt. Ltd. located at Vill. & P.O. Mondalpur, P.S. Jamuria, Dist.- Burdwan, Pin – 713 344 is hereby directed to always operate with efficient functioning of the APCD connected to kilns.

The Environmental Engineer, Asansol Regional Office of the State Board is requested to inspect the industry to verify the present status and if the industry is found running violating the Board’s direction, the Board will be at liberty to take stricter action including closure of the industry with disconnection of electricity.
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 after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/-
Chief Engineer
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board