WHEREAS, M/S. DURGAPUR STEEL PLANT (hereinafter referred as DSP) operates its integrated steel plant at Durgapur, Dist. – Burdwan, PIN – 713 203

WHEREAS, routine monitoring of DSP on 2nd, 3rd & 9th November, 2006 revealed gross non-compliance of liquid discharge standard in outfall Nos.3 & 5 showing effluent discharged from these outlets heavily contaminated with total suspended solids (in the form of carbon fines), tar oil, BOD, ammonia, phenol, cyanide.

WHEREAS, such inspection and sample collection on 9th November, 2006 in presence of DSP officials Shri P. B. Bhowmick, (DGM, Environment) also noted that the effluent treatment system of coke over & by-product plant was non-functional.

WHEREAS, DSP was called for a hearing in the Head Office of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (hereinafter referred as the Board) on 02-03-2007 for such gross environmental non-compliance as observed through inspection referred above.

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder, as also non-compliance of conditions stipulated under CREP for integrated steel plant, M/S. DURGAPUR STEEL PLANT is hereby directed as follows

A. The discharge of untreated or partially treated effluent containing carbon fines and tar oil, BOD, phenol, cyanide and ammonia will have to be stopped immediately. The illegal industrial activity for utilisation of such tar oil and carbon fines recovered from the discharge of outfall No.5 will have to be stopped within seven (7) days from the date hereof. The report of such compliance will have to be submitted to the Pollution Control Board immediately.

B. The bio-logical treatment plant commissioned for treatment of effluent generated in the coke oven and by product section will have to be made fully functional within a month.

C. Secondary emission from coke ovens, specially through door leakage will have to be taken care of within three months.

2. That, DSP should submit a Bank Guarantee [proforma enclosed] for Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs only) valid for twelve (12) months within fifteen days from the date hereof in favour of the WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD as an assurance for compliance of the above directions.

In case of the non-compliance of the above directions by the industry within the stipulated time, the Board may have to issue necessary regulatory order without any further reference.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority.

Order
Sd/-
(Dr. D. Chakraborty)
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West Bengal Pollution Control Board