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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. Sankrail Brick Works (Brand name: Munna) (hereinafter referred to as the unit) located at South Sankrail – Purbapara, P.O. + P.S. - Sankrail, Howrah – 711313 is a red bricks manufacturing unit.

AND WHEREAS, a complaint was lodged against the unit regarding filling of river Hooghly bank and bed with brick wastes.

AND WHEREAS, the unit was inspected by the **West Bengal Pollution Control Board** (hereinafter referred to as the State Board) official on 19.01.2021. The unit was not in operation during inspection. During inspection the following observations were made:

- No black smoke was observed. The unit follows Zig-Zag pattern while laying bricks in the kiln. The unit has an ID fan & stack with scrubber as APCD.
- Broken bricks were dumped on the slope of the bank along the river-side of the unit.
- The unit is located within a radius of 100 Km. from some coal based Thermal Power Plants(Southern Generating Station-CESC , Budge Budge Generating station-CESC, Kolaghat Thermal Power Station &Bandel Thermal Power Station). The unit representative stated that the unit used to get fly ash from KTPS, but at present the unit is not getting fly ash from any thermal power plant.at present fly ash is not being used in making bricks and only river –silt is being used for making bricks.
- No green belt was maintained by the brick field.
- The unit has 01 no. old black D.G. Set of capacity 10 KVA and it is used during power cut.

AND WHEREAS, “Consent to Operate” of the unit is valid up to 28.02.2022.

AND WHEREAS, the unit was called for a hearing on 12.03.2021 at the Head office of the State Board. The proprietor on behalf of the unit appeared in the hearing and submitted that they would immediately dismantle the old black DG Set.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the above, **M/s. Sankrail Brick Works (Brand name: Munna)** located at South Sankrail – Purbapara, P.O. + P.S. - Sankrail, Howrah – 711313 is hereby directed as follows:

1. **That,** the unit shall not carry out any activity within 11m corridor from the high tide line of the river Hooghly.
2. **That,** the unit shall immediately dismantle the old black DG Set and inform the State Board accordingly.

The Environmental Engineer, Howrah Regional Office of the State Board is requested to keep a strict vigil on the unit. If the unit is again found to be non-complying with the State Board's direction, the State Board will take strict regulatory action against the unit.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of Section 33A of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Section 31A of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder.

By Order,

Sd/-

Chief Engineer
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West Bengal Pollution Control Board