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Memo No. 5L/WPB-2024/T-4346

Dated: -2024

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Complainant (s)	Respondent (s)
Kailash Ch. Jaiswal & Others	1. M/s Tushar Kanti Ghosh 2. M/s Aparna Ghosh
Date: 06-06-2024	Time: 12:30 PM.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

This proceeding has been initiated over a complaint against two (02) nos. of sweetmeat manufacturing units, situated at 8C/1E, Jogodoyan Lane, P.S.: Phoolbagan, Dist: Kolkata, Pin: 700054, West Bengal and 8C/1N/1/1, Jogodoyan Lane, P.S.: Phoolbagan, Dist: Kolkata, Pin: 700054, West Bengal, allegedly causing environmental pollution in the surrounding area during their operations.

Over the matter, our officials of Salt Lake Regional Office, WBPCB being requisitioned caused an inspection of the unit on 22/03/2024 and a report they submitted.

Excerpts from the inspection report are given below under head of their:

Observation:

Towards the Unit located at 8C/1N/1/1, Jogodoyan Lane, KMC Ward No.-31, P.S.: Phoolbagan, Kolkata-700054.

- This complaint is against a sweet manufacturing unit regarding air pollution and odour problem.
- The alleged sweet manufacturing unit is situated in the ground floor of a G+3 residential building/apartment, wherein proprietor himself resides at the second & third floor of the building and first floor used for office purpose. The kitchen of the said sweet meat shop is situated at the back side of the apartment.
- Complainants are residing in another two G+3 residential buildings situated on either side of said building leaving a gap of around 8ft (approx.) and sharing common boundary wall between them.
- The unit is mainly engaged in manufacturing of different types of sweets (mainly laddu) using three nos. Diesel fired ovens. During inspection two nos. Diesel fired ovens were in operation and none of these ovens were provided with any suction hood, ID fan and stack for venting of process emission, resulting in dissipation of smoke from the opening of the unit.
- The unit has stored 3-4 nos. LPG cylinder within open area of the building.
- The unit has no Effluent Treatment Plant, and untreated effluent was found directly discharged to the KMC drain. Effluent generation is from washing and cleaning of the equipment and the process.
- The activity of the unit is causing unhygienic condition around the apartment.

And further observation towards the Unit located at 8C/1E, Jogodoyan Lane, KMC Ward No.-31, P.S.-Phoolbagan, Kolkata-700054.

- The unit has another sweet manufacturing unit located within 50m of abovementioned unit.
- This sweet manufacturing unit is situated within big godown type room made off brick wall and asbestos roof. There are several residential establishments around this unit.
- The unit is mainly engaged in manufacturing of different types of sweets using nine nos. LPG fired oven, three nos. LPG fired oven for Sandesh, three nos. Diesel fired oven, two nos. Electric Dahi manufacturing machine, Compressor (one no.), one no Rasogolla Rounder, one no. Jalbhara Filling m/c.
- During inspection the unit was in full-fledged operation and none of these ovens were provided with any suction hood, ID fan and stack for ventilation of process emission, resulting in dissipation of smoke from the opening of the unit and engulfing surround region.
- The unit has used common passage adjacent to the unit for storing of raw materials and earthen pots (Bhar).
- The unit has no Effluent Treatment Plant, and untreated effluent was found directly discharged to the HMC drain.
- The process activity for manufacturing sweets from milk product including CHANA making was carried out within the unit; resulting in characteristic smell around the unit.
- The activity of the unit causing unhygienic condition around the factory.

Remarks they put as:

for Unit which located at 8C/1N/1/1, Jogodoyan Lane, KMC Ward No.-31, P.S.-Phoolbagan, Kolkata-700054.

- The unit has failed to produce trade licence and valid Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate from State Board during inspection.
- The unit must provide suction hood at the top of all the ovens, and vent the process (sweet manufacturing activity) exhaust through ID fan and a stack of height 3.5 m (minimum) above nearest tallest building.
- All the sweet manufacturing related activity must be done in closed shed and the passage beside the apartment should not be used for said purpose and storing of LPG cylinder in any case.
- The unit should discharge its trade effluent to KMC drain after adequate treatment.
- The unit should take adequate measures for its manufacturing activity so that the neighbourhood is not affected by its activity, in any case.
- The units should operate only after complying the directions of State Board and obtaining valid NOC & Consent to Operate from W.B.P.C.B.

And for the Unit located at 8C/1E, Jogodoyan Lane, KMC Ward No.-31, P.S.-Phoolbagan, Kolkata-700054.

- The unit produced valid trade licence and Fire license; however, has failed to produce valid Consent to Operate from State Board during inspection.
- The unit must provide suction hood at the top of all the ovens, and vent the process (sweet manufacturing activity) exhaust through ID fan and a stack of height 3.5 m (minimum) above nearest tallest building.
- All the sweet manufacturing related activity must be done in closed shed and the passage adjacent the unit should not be used for storing purpose in any case.
- The unit should discharge its trade effluent to KMC drain after passing through Effluent Treatment Plant.
- The unit should take adequate measures for its manufacturing activity so that the neighbourhood is not affected by its activity, in any case.
- The units should operate only after complying the directions of State Board and obtaining valid Consent to Operate from W.B.P.C.B.

Therefore, notice has been issued upon the parties above to hear out them over the issue. Then one, Mr. Kailash Chandra Jaiswal, being one of the complainants, appeared in person.

One Mr. Tushar Kanti Ghosh, being the respondents, appeared who claimed that the sweetmeat manufacturing unit mentioned above carries separate entity. The unit at 8C/1N/2 Jogodyan Lane Kolkata-54 is own and managed his wife Aparna Ghosh but the other unit at 8C/1E Jogodyan Lane Kolkata-54 is owned and managed by him. He wants to represent Aparna Ghosh also here in the proceeding.

During hearing the complainant submitted that they are suffering from air pollution due to the burning of fossil fuels such as diesel and other flammable products which is used to make sweets. The complainant also stated that nuisance caused by the respondent unit is creating environmental hazards for the residents living nearby for which they are suffering tremendously. He further express his apprehension of fire incident due to not following norms of keeping the huge numbers of gas cylinders.

In counter the representative of respondents denies the allegation submitting that in the unit at 8C/1N/2 Jogodyan Lane Kolkata-54, there is no "chhana" process manufacturing activity from milk with help of oven etc. is going on but 'laddu' only so there is no scope to causing nuisance arises. So far, the in the other unit they took all possible measures to prevent nuisance. He undertakes to abide by further direction of this office to run his factory.

Tushar Kanti Ghosh then furnished a copy of the trade licenses of M/s Aparna Ghosh and M/s Tushar Kanti Ghosh as issued to them by the Kolkata Municipal Corporation for the year 2023-2024 for the profession/trade of "Sweetmeat Seller with Workshop" and also furnished a copy of **Consent to Operate** under **Green** category of the State Board they obtained from the District Industries Centre; Kolkata dated 02-05-2024 which was remain valid up to 31.05.2031.

During inspection above consent to operate were not available. They procure it subsequently. Though the above unit holder obtained **consent to operate** subsequently but it is not clear whether the respondents execute or take measures for cleanliness and fixes any suction hood, ID Fan and stack for venting process emission. It also not clears whether the respondents fix ETF (Effluent Treatment Plant) to treat waste before discharge directly to the Municipal drain or not.

Accordingly, considering the gravity of the complaint and the contents of the inspection report and submission of the complainant and respondent, *M/s Tushar Kanti Ghosh and M/s Aparna Ghosh*, are hereby directed to:

1. *Operate by strictly complying with the terms and conditions as enumerated in the "Consent to Operate" certificate of the State Board;*
2. *Install appropriate Air Pollution Control System (APCS) in the workshop or use a cleaner fuel and ventilate the emissions through a proper exhaust system to a stack of height at least 3.5 meters above the roof level of the nearest tallest building and to Install effluent treatment plant (ETP) immediately for the effluent generated from their respective unit; and send it pictures /photo of such installation to our Salt lake RO office within 31st July 2024 and do not operate thereafter, if they failed to obtain such adequate measurement given by the State Board.*
3. *And dispose of solid wastes properly as per the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.*

We make it clear that the respondent unit shall maintain environmental norms strictly and take all necessary measures so that the people living in the neighbourhood may not suffer due to its activities in any way, whatsoever.

The unit is also at liberty to approach the Salt Lake Regional Office of the State Board in case of guidance they required, if any.

The R.O of the Salt Lake Regional Office will monitor whether the respondent complied the direction above. The complaint may approach the R.O office if their inconvenience continues.

The Commissioner, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, may be kept informed of this order passed by the State Board today.

The Officer in Charge, Phoolbagan Police Station is requested to oversee the compliance of this order.

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(Dr. D. Chakraborty)
Sr. Scientist & Incharge, P.G. Cell

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[A. K. Choudhury, WBJS (Rtd.)]
Hearing Officer

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(S. Barua)
Asst. Environmental Engineer

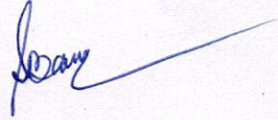
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2. M/s Aparna Ghosh, 8C/1N/2, Jogodoyan Lane, P.S.: Phoolbagan, Dist: Kolkata, Pin: 700054, West Bengal.
3. Mr. Kailash Ch. Jaiswal & Others, 8C/1N/1, Jogodyan Lane, P.S.: Phoolbagan, dist: Kolkata, Pin: 700054
4. The Commissioner, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, 5, S.N. Banerjee Road, Kolkata 700 013.
5. The Officer in Charge, Phoolbagan Police Station, P-86, CIT Road Scheme-VIIM, Kolkata-700054.
6. The General Manager, District Industries Centre, Kolkata, Silpa Sadan, Ground Floor, 4, Camac Street, Kolkata-700016.
7. The OSD (O & E Cell), WBPCB.
8. The Sr. Environmental Engineer & In charge, Salt Lake Regional Office, WBPCB.
9. The P.A. to the Member-Secretary, WBPCB.
10. Guard File.


Asst. Environmental Engineer, P.G. Cell,
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