

West Bengal Pollution Control Board

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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No. 375 of 2012 dt. 22.02.2017 has directed the State Pollution Control Boards to issue notices to all industrial units which require 'Consent to Operate' by way of common advertisement, to make their primary effluent treatment plants fully operational within three months from the date of the order i.e. 22.02.2017 and the industrial units, which have not been able to make their primary effluent treatment plant fully operational, within the notice period (May, 2017), shall be restrained from any further industrial activity.

WHEREAS, the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) issued a public "NOTICE" on 22.03.2017 in two newspapers "Times of India" and "Bartaman" for compliance of the said order within 21.05.2017.

WHEREAS, M/s. Ruby Electroplating Co. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at North Ichapore Road, Sealdanga, P.O. Santragachi, P.S. Jagacha, Dist. Howrah-711 104 is an electroplating industry. Such industries have been categorized as 'Seriously Polluting Industry (SPI)'.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by the officials of the **West Bengal Pollution Control Board** (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 07/09/2017. During inspection the industry was found in operation. It was observed that the industry had not installed any Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP).

AND WHEREAS, the industry is operating without valid Consent to Operate of the Board.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was directed by the Board vide letter no. 42/04-PCB/HOW/145-2003 dated 06/04/2017 to install and operate the ETP in compliance with the direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the above mentioned non-compliances and the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, M/s. Ruby Electroplating Co. located at North Ichapore Road, Sealdanga, P.O. Santragachi, P.S. Jagacha, Dist. Howrah-711 104 is hereby closed by the Board with immediate effect.

The electricity connection of the industry is ordered to be disconnected forthwith.

The Vice President (Distribution and Services), CESC Ltd. is requested to take necessary steps for disconnection of electricity of the industry immediately.

The closure order will take immediate effect and the Officer-in-Charge, Jagacha Police Station is directed to execute the closure order against the aforementioned industry and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven (07) days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-in-Charge, Jagacha Police Station and the Vice President (Distribution and Services), CESC Ltd. in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21/08/1998 and 28/04/1999 respectively.

The Environmental Engineer, Howrah Regional Office, WBPCB is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order against the industry and also visit the industry involving the local police station and the Nodal Police Officer.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of Section 33A of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Section 31A of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

By Order,

Sd/Sr. Environmental Engineer & In-Charge
Operation & Execution Cell
West Bengal Pollution Control Board