



WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
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DIRECTION

WHEREAS, M/s. The Bhagirathi Co-operative Milk Producer Union Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the industry) located at **Panchanantala, P.O. & P.S.- Berhampore, Dist.- Murshidabad, Pin- 742 101** is an integrated dairy plant. It produces toned milk and dairy product. The unit has 02nos. F.O. fired boiler of capacity 02MT/hr. each attached with common stack of height 30m.from G.L.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was inspected by the official of the **West Bengal Pollution Control Board** (hereinafter referred to as the Board) on 02/04/2019. The industry has started to construct a new ETP as per their proposal, but during inspection by the State Board official on 02.04.2019, it was observed that the construction process of the new ETP was discontinued after initial starting of the industry. New ETP of the plant consist of only with few unfinished civil structures like tanks and clarifier.

AND WHEREAS, the industry has an old effluent treatment plant (ETP), but during several inspections it was found in defunct condition. Untreated effluent was being directly discharged by the industry into a pond inside the unit. Several show cause/direction was issued to the industry, but unfulfilled commitment was made by the industry. It is a long pending case for non-operation of ETP.

AND WHEREAS, the Consent to Operate of the industry is valid upto 30/06/2022. As available in the office record the industry does not possess the Authorization for Hazardous waste.

AND WHEREAS, the industry was called for a hearing on 26/06/2019 for non-compliance of environmental norms as observed during inspection by the Board official.

AND WHEREAS, the Managing Director of the industry appeared in the hearing and agreed with the above mentioned observations. He submitted that they would install the effluent treatment plant within six months.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the above, **M/s. The Bhagirathi Co-operative Milk Producer Union Ltd.** located at Panchanantala, P.O. & P.S.- Berhampore, Dist.- Murshidabad, Pin- 742 101 is hereby directed as follows:-

1. **That,** the industry shall immediately stop the operation of its milk processing unit. They shall operate only its chilling plant. After completing the installation work of ETP, they shall approach the Board for resumption of operation of its milk processing unit.
2. **That,** the industry shall complete the installation work of effluent treatment plant within **31st December, 2019** positively.
3. **That,** the industry shall submit an EC(Environmental Compensation) of **Rs. 10,00,000/-** (Rupees Ten lakh) only, by Demand Draft in favour of **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** payable at Kolkata for non-compliance of Environmental norms.

The Environmental Engineer, Malda Regional Office of the Board is requested to conduct an inspection of the industry after December 2019 to verify the status of environmental compliance. If the industry is again found to be operating in violation of environmental norms, the Board will initiate strict regulatory action.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the provision of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1981, 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