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WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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ORDER FOR CLOSURE WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, **M/S. M. YAHYA & CO.** (hereinafter referred as the industry) operating its tannery unit at Plot No.43, Zone-I, Calcutta Leather Complex, Karaidanga, South 24 Parganas.

WHEREAS, the industry was closed by the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** (hereinafter referred as the Board) for discharging untreated effluent, both chrome bearing and beam house liquor to the open land inside the factory premises.

WHEREAS, in due consideration appeal made by the industry through its letter dated 28-08-2008 the Board suspended the closure order on 02-09-2008 with the following conditions:

1. That the unit will always operate the Pre-Treatment Plant and Chrome-Recovery Unit efficiently before the effluent is discharged to the conveying system of the CETP of the Leather Complex.
2. That, the unit should submit a pollution cost of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) by Demand Draft payable at Service Branch at Kolkata/Banker's Cheque within fifteen [15] days from the date of issuance of the order in favour of the **WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD** for operating their unit without operating the pollution abatement system.
3. In case of non-submission of pollution cost within the stipulated time, the Board will initiate stricter regulatory action.

WHEREAS, the industry submitted an appeal for reduction of pollution cost through its letter dated 16-09-2008.

WHEREAS, the Board rejected the appeal of the industry and issued a further direction on 29-09-2009 to submit the pollution cost within seven days.

WHEREAS, the industry failed to submit the pollution cost within the stipulated time and a show cause notice was issued by the Board on 21/22-10-2008 asking the industry to give proper explanation why closure will not be issued to the industry for failing to comply with the Board's direction. Fifteen days time was given to the industry to submit reply to the show cause notice.

WHEREAS, the industry did not submit the pollution cost nor the reply of the show cause notice within the stipulated time.

NOW, THEREFORE, in due consideration facts and circumstances referred above **M/S. M. YAHYA & CO.** is hereby closed by the Board. The electricity connection of the industry is also ordered to be disconnected forthwith.

The Secretary, WBSEB is requested to disconnect the electricity connection of the industry forthwith.

This order is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

The Officer-in-Charge, Bhangar Police Station under West Bengal Police is directed to execute the closure order against the aforementioned unit and submit a compliance report to the Board within seven (7) days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Secretary, WBSEB and Officer-in-Charge, Bhangar Police Station in conformity with the Order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 28-04-1999 and 21-08-1998 respectively.

The Environmental Engineer, Tannery Management Cell of the Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the Closure order and also visit the industry involving the local Police Station and the Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district to oversee the proper execution of the closure order and also ensure the disconnection of the electricity of the unit.

By Order

Sd/-
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