



WEST BENGAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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CLOSURE ORDER WITH DISCONNECTION OF ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, Shri Dipak Kumar Das operates a hosiery unit (hereinafter referred to as the industry) at Vill.- Nanna, P.O.- Jetia, P.S.- Bijpur, Dist.- North 24 Parganas.

WHEREAS, there is a public complaint against the industry for creating noise pollution.

WHEREAS, a hearing was conducted at the Barrackpore Regional Office of the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred as the Board) on 14/05/2009 involving both the industry and complainant. The following directions were issued to the industry :

- i) The unit should operate from 7.00 am to 2.00 pm and again from 4.00 pm to 8.00 pm.
- ii) The unit should be shifted from the present location within three months.
- iii) The unit should take effective measures to control noise pollution.

WHEREAS, an inspection of the industry was carried out by the Board officials on 22/12/2009 for verification of the compliance of the directions issued by the Board. The report of inspection reveals the following:

- i) The industry is engaged in garment stitching and is located in a residential area of Jetia Gram Panchayet
- ii) The industry has eight nos. of sewing machines of which three were in operation during inspection. The door and two windows of the industry are located towards complainant's house.
- iii) The house of the complainant Sri Subir Dastidar is located at a distance of about 40 ft. from the industry. The sound level measured at his residence was 61 dB(A) whereas the ambient noise level was recorded at 50 dB(A) which clearly indicates an exceedence of more than 10 dB(A) thus violating the provisions of the Noise (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000.
- iv) The industry was operating without any valid 'Consent to Establish' and 'Consent to Operate' of the State Board thus violating the environmental statutes and also failed to produce valid trade license during inspection.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the fact that the industry is operating in violation of all environmental norms and also the directions issued by the Board, **the hosiery unit owned and operated by Shri Dipak Kumar Das** is hereby closed by the Board with immediate effect. The electricity connection of the industry is directed to be disconnected forthwith.

The Director, WBSEDCL is requested to take necessary steps to disconnect the electricity connection of the industry immediately.

This direction is issued in exercise of the powers conferred under the Noise (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 especially notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder after being approved by the Competent Authority.

The closure order will take immediate effect and the Officer-in-Charge, Bijpur Police Station, North 24 Parganas under West Bengal Police is directed to execute the Closure order against the aforementioned industry and submit the compliance report to the State Board within seven days from the receipt of this Memo.

This direction has been issued to the Officer-in-Charge, Bijpur Police Station and the Director, WBSEDCL, Bidyut Bhawan, Kolkata in conformity with the order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta dated 21/08/1998 and 28/04/1999 respectively.

Environmental Engineer, Barrackpore Regional Office of the State Board is requested to take necessary steps for proper execution of the closure order and ensure the disconnection of electricity of the industry and also visit the industry involving the local police station and Nodal Police Officer of the concerned district.

By Order,

Sd/-

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Chief Engineer

West Bengal Pollution Control Board