THE WEST BENGAL GROUND WATER RESOURCES (MANAGEMENT, CONTROL AND REGULATION) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2005

Any user desiring to sink a well for extraction of ground water for industrial purpose with pump set shall have to obtain a permit from the District Level Authority / Corporation Level Authority / State Level Authority. The user shall make an application in Form-I along with payment of prescribed fees to the Geologist of the State Water Investigation Directorate, Govt. of West Bengal of the district concerned or Superintendent Geologist, State Water Investigation Directorate, Govt. of West Bengal for Kolkata Municipal Corporation area as the case may be.

The District Level Authority (DLA) under the chairmanship of District Magistrate of the district concerned and Corporation Level Authority (CLA) under the chairmanship of Municipal Commissioner of Kolkata Municipal Corporation will be empowered to dispose of the application for extraction of ground water for industrial purpose with pump set capacity up to 10 H.P. subject to rate of construction not exceeding 50 cum/hr. from each well for 10 hours running per day within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of such application. Any application for drawal of ground water exceeding the power of DLA or CLA should be forwarded by the DLA or CLA with recommendation / comments to the State Level Authority (SLA) within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of application.

The SLA under the chairmanship of Director, State Water Investigation Directorate, Govt. of West Bengal will be empowered to dispose of the application for extraction of ground water for industrial purpose with pump set capacity up to 25 H.P. subject to rate of construction not exceeding 100 cum/hr. from each well for 10 hours running per day within a period of twenty one days from the date of receipt of such application by the DLA or CLA as the case may be. Any application for drawal of ground water exceeding the power of SLA should be forwarded by the SLA with recommendation / comments to the High Level Inter Departmental Committee (HLIDC) within a period of twenty one days from the date of receipt of application.

Any application of extraction of ground water for industrial purpose with extraction rate more than 100 cum/hr. from each well for 10 hours running per day will be disposed of by the HLIDC within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of such application from the SLA.

Fee structure as per Act

Sl.No			Non-refundable fee after acceptance of application (Rs.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	When the discharge range is up to 30m3/hr.	500.00	1000.00
2.	When the discharge range exceeds 30 m3/hr. up to 50 m3/hr.	1000.00	2000.00
3.	When the discharge range exceeds 50 m3/hr. up to 100 m3/hr.	1500.00	3000.00
4.	When the discharge range is above 100 m3/hr.	2500.00	5000.00