



ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਕੰਟਰੋਲ ਬੋਰਡ PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. 105

Dated. 21-3-23

Office Order

Whereas, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change has issued notification no. G.S.R. 571 (E) dated 12th August, 2021 vide which manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of identified Single Use Plastic (SUP) items shall be prohibited with effect from the July 1, 2022.

And whereas, as per Rule 4 (2) of the Plastic Waste Management (PWM) Rules, 2016 (as amended), "The manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of following Single Use Plastic (SUP), including polystyrene and expanded polystyrene, commodities shall be prohibited with effect from 1st July, 2022:

- Ear buds with plastic sticks, plastic sticks for balloons, plastic flags, candy sticks, ice-cream sticks, polystyrene [Thermocol] for decoration;
- Plates, cups, glasses, cutlery such as forks, spoons, knives, straw, trays, wrapping or packing films around sweet boxes, invitation cards, and cigarette packets, plastic or Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) banners less than 100 microns, stirrers;

And whereas, as per the Rule 4[1(h)], sale of banned SUP claiming to be biodegradable (without CPCB certificate) and oxo-biodegradable plastics are in violation of PWM Rules, 2016.

And whereas, as per the provision of Section 7(2) of the Punjab Plastic Carry Bags (Manufacture, Usage and Disposal) Control Act, 2016 issued by the Punjab State Government, manufacture, stock, distribute, recycle, sale and use of plastic carry bags and containers made of virgin or recycled plastic and plastic items having one time use such as disposable plastic cups, tumblers, spoons, forks and straws has been completely prohibited in the State of Punjab, with effect from the 1st February, 2016.

And whereas, it is the duty of all citizens/ stakeholders to abide by the aforesaid Rules and to use and promote alternatives available to the banned items of plastics to safeguard the Environment.

And whereas, action, as deemed fit under the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 including seizure of goods, levying of Environmental Compensation, closure of operations of industries/ commercial establishments, shall be taken against the violators of the said notification, by the Punjab Pollution Control Board.

And whereas, this order is being issued to inform all Producers, Stockists, Retailers, Shopkeepers, e-commerce companies, street vendors, commercial establishments (clubs/ malls/ market place/ shopping centers/ cinema houses/ restaurants/hotels/eateries/ tourist locations/ schools/ colleges/ office complexes/ hospitals & other institutions) and general public to stop production, stocking, distribution, sale and usage of identified SUP items and plastic carry bags immediately, failing which action as deemed fit shall be initiated under the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986.

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Patiala/ Ludhiana-1/2/3/4/Jalandhar/ Amritsar/ Bathinda/ Faridkot/ Sangrur / Hoshiarpur/ Mohali/ Batala/ Ropar & Fatehgarh Sahib with a request to circulate the aforesaid order along with public notice to all the stakeholders for its compliance and display the public notice/banners etc. at prominent places of the District. Action taken report in this regard needs to be submitted on ppcbupban@gmail.com.

DA/As above

Endst. No.HQ-3/2023 7160-69

o/e
Member Secretary
Dated 21-3-23

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. The Chief Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Chief Office, Jalandhar/Ludhiana/Bathinda/Patiala/HQ.
2. The Special Secretary (General & Policy), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Mohali.
3. The Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office, Patiala-1/2/ Ludhiana-1/2/ Jalandhar/ Amritsar/ Bathinda.
4. The Senior Environmental Engineer (HQ-1/2), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
5. The Senior Scientific Officer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
6. The Senior Law Officer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
7. The Environmental Engineer (Computer), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala for uploading the office order on the website of the Board for information of the concerned.
8. The Deputy Controller (F&A), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
9. The Administrative Officer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala.
10. PS to Chairman & PA to Member Secretary, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.

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Member Secretary
Dated 21-3-23