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PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. ..... 603  
To

Dated. 28.6.2022

The Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,  
Department of Rural Development and Panchayats,  
Sarovar Path, Phase-VIII, Sector-62,  
SAS Nagar – 160062.

**Subject: Directions under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to SPCBs/PCCs for phasing out Single Use Plastic (SUP).**

Whereas, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF & CC) notified the PWM Rules, 2016, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 3, 6 & 25 of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 vide notification no. G.S.R. 320 (E) dated March 27, 2016.

And whereas, MOEF & CC issued notification dated August 12, 2021 which mandated banning of identified SUP items and prescribed minimum thickness of carry bag with effect from July 01, 2022.

And whereas, as per Rule 4 (2) of 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 the 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022;

- (a) Ear buds with plastic sticks, plastic sticks for balloons, plastic flags, candy sticks, ice-cream sticks, polystyrene (Thermocol) for decoration.
- (b) 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 PVC banners less than 100 microns, stirrers.

And whereas, the CPCB has issued Directions u/s 5 of the EPA, 1986 for phasing out of Single Use Plastic vide letter no. no. B.17011/7/UPC-II-PWM(SUP)/2022 dated 01.02.2022 (enclosed herewith). Further, CPCB has prepared a Comprehensive Action Plan to eliminate manufacture, stock, selling, import and usage of SUP items in line with timelines specified in the notification issued by the MoEF&CC on 12.08.2021. The Action Plan detailing the Action Points (including those to be executed by State Level Authorities) along with the timelines has already been circulated by CPCB vide above said Directions.

Now, therefore, in view of above and in exercise of powers vested under section 5 of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Chairman, PPCB following directions are issued for compliance within 15 days w.r.t. area falling under jurisdiction of your department:

- i. District-wise identification of major Commercial Establishments (Malls/ Market place/ Shopping Centres/ Cinema Houses/ Tourist Locations/ Schools/ Colleges/

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Office complexes / Hospitals & other Institutions) and Stockists/ Retailers/Sellers/Importers of banned SUP items/Street Vendors Vegetable & Fruit Markets/Malls and other similar entities which are dealing in bulk in the aforementioned single use plastic items.

- ii. To sensitize through workshops/webinars the aforementioned identified entities and to direct them to take necessary action to ensure zero inventory of banned SUP items by July 01, 2022.
- iii. To take necessary action, including cancellation of commercial licenses issued, against the identified entities if found violating stipulated conditions.
- iv. To issue fresh commercial licenses to major Stockists/ retailers/ sellers/ and Commercial Establishments with the condition that they shall not be stocking/selling/using banned SUP items.
- v. To frame local bye-laws for levying Environmental compensation in line with CPCB Guidelines for violation of stipulated conditions.

DA/ as above

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 Chairman  
 Dated 28.6.2022

A copy of the above is forwarded to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi for information please.

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Deptt. of Science, Technology and Environment, Chandigarh for information please.

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