

ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਕੰਟਰੋਲ ਬੋਰਡ PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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

SAS Nagar - 160062.

Subject:

Issuing notification w.r.t. banning of identified Single Use Plastic (SUP) items w.e.f 01-07-2022 as per Rule 4 (2) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended).

It is intimated that 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. Thereafter, MoEF&CC has 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.

Further 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 1st 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.

Also, 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.

In the State of Punjab, the Department of Local Govt., Punjab vide notification dated 18/2/2016, under the provisions of Punjab Plastics Carry Bags (Manufacture Usage and Disposal) Control Act, 2005 [Punjab Act No. 17 of 2017] had completely prohibited to manufacture, store, distribute, recycle, sell or use of plastic carry bags in the jurisdiction of all the Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils or Nagar Panchayats in the State of Punjab w.e.f. 1st April, 2016. Similarly, the Department of Rural Development and Panchayats had also issued notification dated 29/3/2016 on the same

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lines for the areas in the jurisdiction of all Gram Panchayats in the State of Punjab w.e.f. 1st April, 2016. Also, various authorities/officers responsible for the implementation of these notifications were also designated by respective departments.

Now, keeping in view the said notification issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, the Department of Local Govt., Punjab is in the process of issuing notification for banning of identified SUP items w.e.f 01-07-2022 as per Rule 4 (2) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended). The nodal officer in the said department for this purpose is Sh. Naresh Kumar (94683-15618, 94162-28918).

In view of the above, it is requested to take immediate necessary action in the matter on the lines of notification being issued by Department of Local Govt. for banning of identified SUP items w.e.f 01-07-2022 as per Rule 4 (2) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended). The requisite notification for the area falling under the jurisdiction of Department of Rural Development and Panchayats in the State of Punjab may kindly be issued well before the target date of 01-07-2022.

DA/ as above

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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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