



F. No. CP-20/35/2023-UPC-II-HO-CPCB-HO

Dated: 11.11.2024

To,

The Chairman
All SPCBs/PCC

Sub: Directions Under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for Implementation of ban on Single Use Plastic (SUP)-Reg.

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, vide Notification dated August 12, 2021 banned 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 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 PVC banners less than 100 micron, stirrers; and

WHEREAS, as per Rules 4(1)(c) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended) "Carry bag made of virgin or recycled plastic, shall not be less seventy-five microns in thickness with effect from the 30th September 2021 and one hundred and twenty (120) microns in thickness with effect from 31st December, 2022; and

WHEREAS as per Rule 4 (d) of the PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended), plastic sheet or like, which is not an integral part of multilayered packaging and cover made of plastic sheet used for packaging, wrapping the commodity shall not be less than fifty microns in thickness except where the thickness of such plastic sheets impair the functionality of the product; and

WHEREAS as per Rule 12 (1) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended), The Central Pollution Control Board, State Pollution Control Board and Pollution Control

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Committee in respect of a Union territory shall be the authority for enforcement of the provisions of these rules; and

WHEREAS as per Rule 12 (2) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended), The concerned Additional Chief Secretary or Principal Secretary or Secretary in charge of the Department of the State Government or a Union territory Administration responsible for municipal administration shall be the authority for enforcement of the provisions of these rules relating to waste management by waste generator, restriction or prohibition on use of plastic carry bags, plastic sheets or like, covers made of plastic sheets and plastic packaging and items prohibited under rule 4 of these rules in the urban areas of the State or a Union territory.; and

WHEREAS as per Rule 12 (3) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended), The concerned Additional Chief Secretary or Principal Secretary or Secretary in charge of the Department of the State Government or a Union territory Administration responsible for Panchayati Raj Institutions shall be the authority for enforcement of the provisions of these rules relating to waste management by the waste generator, restriction or prohibition on use of plastic carry bags, plastic sheets or like, covers made of plastic sheets and plastic packaging and items prohibited under rule 4 of these rules in the rural area of the State or a Union territory; and

WHEREAS CPCB issued Direction dated 01-2-2022 to all SPCBs/PCCs to ensure compliance of notification published by MoEF&CC dated 12-08-2021 in line with comprehensive action plan; and

WHEREAS, for effective monitoring of ban on identified single use plastic items and plastic waste management in the country, CPCB developed SUP Compliance Monitoring portal and SUP field inspection app to facilitate the structured inspection and monitoring by state boards and local bodies, and SUP Public Grievance App to ensure citizen participation for effective enforcement of ban; and

WHEREAS, CPCB issued Directions dated 30-06-2022 to all SPCBs/PCCs to monitor compliance through SUP Compliance Monitoring App; and

WHEREAS special inspection drive was conducted from October to December ,2022 with focus on enforcement on street vendors, local shops, wholesale markets etc. by CPCB/SPCB/PCC with State UDD; and

WHEREAS CPCB had prepared Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) with the prime objective to break the supply chain of SUP items and also issued directions dated 01-03-2023 to all SPCBs/PCCs for joint inspections with State UDD as per SOP through Field inspection app and file the inspection report on the SUP compliance monitoring portal till August 2023; and

WHEREAS CPCB further issued Directions dated 20.11.2023 & 16.02.2024 to all SPCBs/PCCs and UDDs for conduction of exhaustive inspection drives at regular intervals in the area under their jurisdiction along with State UDDs to identify manufacturers and suppliers of banned SUP items and take strict action against the violating entities.; and

WHEREAS it is observed that details w.r.t only xxx inspections conducted on the SUP Compliance Monitoring Portal. (Details at **Annexure-I**); and

WHEREAS it is observed that fine of only Rs..vvv has been imposed and xxx kg of plastic items seized since May 2023 as per information uploaded on the SUP Compliance Monitoring Portal ; (Details at **Annexure-I**); and

WHEREAS it is observed that only xxx no. of complaints have been lodged on the SUP Grievance redressal App and only xxx have been resolved by the concerned authorities; (Details at **Annexure-II**); and



WHEREAS continual use and sale of Single-Use Plastic Items is still being observed specially in informal sector including the local shops/ street vendors; and

NOW THEREFORE, in view of above and in exercise of powers vested under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Chairman, CPCB following directions in continuation of Directions dated 1.2.2022, 30.6.2022, 01.03.2023, 17.05.2023, 20.11.2023 & 16.02.2024 are issued for compliance:

1. To conduct SUP ban enforcement drive jointly with State UDD as per the SOP prepared by CPCB for four days a month during the period October, **2024-January 2025**. The schedule of inspection is to be finalized by the concerned SPCB/PCC in consultation with State UDD and is to be completed by 25th of every month. The Police force may be deployed during the inspection drive as per requirement.
2. To conduct the inspections with focus on street vendors, local shops, wholesale markets, interstate borders, industries, bus depots, railway stations, airports and such other crowded locations.
3. To register all the concerned field officers (SPCB/PCC/State UDD) on SUP Compliance monitoring portal.
4. To conduct the inspections through Field inspection app and file the inspection report on the SUP compliance monitoring portal. Violations & details of action taken w.r.t Commercial establishment shall be reported by State UDD and violation & details of action taken w.r.t industries shall be reported by the SPCB/PCC.
5. To include information w.r.t. supplier of SUP items (for commercial users), plastic raw material suppliers (for banned SUP producers) and SUP producers (for plastic waste recyclers making granules) in the inspection report.
6. To provide details w.r.t. the action taken against the defaulters (Seizure/ challan/ fine levied/ cancellation of permission granted for Commercial entities & Seizure/ Show Cause Notice/ Closure/ environmental compensation levied in case of banned SUP producers) through SUP field inspection App.
7. To promote the usage of the SUP Public Grievance App by citizens in your jurisdiction.
8. To take necessary action to resolve all the grievances received on the SUP public grievance App within 7 days in your jurisdiction.

You are requested to take necessary action to ensure compliance of above Directions and submit the action taken report to this office within 15 days of issue of this letter.

Yours faithfully,


(Tanmay Kumar)
Chairman 

Copy to: -

1. The Additional Secretary : For kind information, please
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Climate Change
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2. Regional Directorates, CPCB : For follow up with concerned
authorities in your jurisdiction,
please
3. Incharge, IT Division : For uploading a copy of these
directions on CPCB website,
please


(Bharat Kumar Sharma)
Member Secretary

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Annexure-I

S.No	State	No. of Inspection by SPCB/PCC	No. of inspection by ULB	Total	Quantity of SUP Item Seized(KG)	Fine Imposed(Rs)
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	0	94	94	13	5000
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	0	219	219	22.4	9800
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	0	0
4	ASSAM	3	5	8	52	7000
5	BIHAR	0	32	32	85.42	15700
6	CHHATTISGARH	19	60	79	69	19000
7	CHANDIGARH	9	3	12	19.1	17400
8	DELHI	1787	933	2720	3367.73	653532
9	DNH&DD	4	29	33	13.4	1300
10	GOA	0	0	0	0	0
11	GUJARAT	0	60	60	0	0
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	0	478	478	0.58	6510
13	HARYANA	0	2	2	26	501
14	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	22	0	22	10.5	900
15	JHARKHAND	0	4	4	51	2000
16	KERALA	0	0	0	0	0
17	KARNATAKA	0	49	49	5.35	1004599.99
18	LAKSHADWEEP	0	4	4	0	0
19	MEGHALAYA	0	0	0	0	0
20	MAHARASHTRA	1139	479	1616	4344.77	5031631.96
21	MANIPUR	0	0	0	0	0
22	MADHYA PRADESH	0	32	32	61.76	15900
23	MIZORAM	0	119	119	2031.23	76000
24	NAGALAND	0	0	0	0	0
25	ODISHA	0	0	0	0	0
26	PUNJAB	0	0	0	0	0
27	PONDICHERRY	0	1250	1250	15371.1	145344.2
28	RAJASTHAN	1	20	21	16.5	3200
29	SIKKIM	0	6	6	127.42	7600
30	TAMIL NADU	0	8	8	66.33	21300
31	TRIPURA	0	1	1	0	0
32	UTTARAKHAND	0	170	170	329.27	233403
33	UTTAR PRADESH	0	147	147	76.69	93150
34	WEST BENGAL	20	62	82	37.01	1501
35	TELANGANA	0	0	0	0	0
36	LADAKH	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	3004	4266	7268	26197.56	7372273.15

Annexure-II

S.No	STATE	TOTAL COMPLAINTS RECEIVED	RESOLVED BY AUTHORITY	ESCALATED TO HIGHER OFFICIAL
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	0	0	0
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	133	21	4
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	13	0	1
4	ASSAM	94	2	2
5	BIHAR	442	135	6
6	CHHATTISGARH	80	0	11
7	CHANDIGARH	93	0	34
8	DELHI	1337	965	3
9	DNH&DD	9	0	9
10	GOA	45	0	3
11	GUJARAT	352	88	1
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	34	16	0
13	HARYANA	1677	1517	0
14	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	14	0	6
15	JHARKHAND	65	6	0
16	KERALA	272	4	5
17	KARNATAKA	678	276	5
18	LAKSHADWEEP	2	0	1
19	MEGHALAYA	86	0	5
20	MAHARASHTRA	998	522	25
21	MANIPUR	0	0	0
22	MADHYA PRADESH	251	46	0
23	MIZORAM	0	0	0
24	NAGALAND	7	0	0
25	ODISHA	41	0	1
26	PUNJAB	156	12	0
27	PUDUCHERRY	31	17	5
28	RAJASTHAN	285	149	0
29	SIKKIM	26	18	0
30	TAMIL NADU	304	121	4
31	TRIPURA	1	0	1
32	UTTARAKHAND	368	231	0
33	UTTAR PRADESH	1097	279	1
34	WEST BENGAL	183	37	1
35	TELANGANA	88	54	0
36	LADAKH	0	0	0
	TOTAL	9262	4516	134