



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

Dated: 11.11.2024

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To,

The Principal Secretary  
All State UDDs

**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 issued 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; and

- 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**, 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, plastic sheet or like, which is not an integral part of multi-layered 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 and UDDs 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 your 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 and uploaded on the SUP Compliance Monitoring Portal. (Details at Annexure-I); and

**WHEREAS**, it is observed that fine of only Rs..xxx has been imposed and xxx kg of plastic items seized since xxx 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 being observed specially in informal sector including local shops/ street vendors; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in view of above and in exercise of powers vested under Section 5 of 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.

Yours faithfully,

(Tanmay Kumar)  
Chairman

**Copy to: -**

1. The Additional Secretary : For kind information, please  
Ministry of Environment, Forests &  
Climate Change  
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh  
Road,  
Delhi New -110003
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

## 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                 |
|      | <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>3004</b>                   | <b>4266</b>              | <b>7268</b> | <b>26197.56</b>                 | <b>7372273.15</b> |

**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                            |
|      | <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>9262</b>               | <b>4516</b>           | <b>134</b>                   |