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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE, GOVT. OF INDIA

No. B.17011/7/UPC-II-PWM(SUP)/2022

Dated: 30-06-2022

To,

The Principal Secretary  
State UDD

Sub: Direction Under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to State UDDs 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**, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India announced India's pledge to phase out SUP by 2022 on World Environment Day-June 05, 2022 and also pitched for freedom for Single Use Plastic while delivering the Independence Day speech on August 15, 2019; 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 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 than 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



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**Whereas** as per Rule 4 (d) of the PWM Rules, 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, the State Pollution Control Board and Pollution Control Committee in respect of a Union territory shall be the authority for enforcement of the provisions of these rules relating to registration, manufacture of plastic products and multilayered packaging, processing and disposal of plastic wastes; and.

**Whereas** as per Rule 12 (2) of PWM Rules, the concerned Secretary-in-charge of Urban Development of the State or a Union Territory shall be the authority for enforcement of the provisions of these rules relating to waste management by waste generator, use of plastic carry bags, plastic sheets or like, covers made of plastic sheets and multilayered packaging

**Whereas** CPCB prepared a Comprehensive Action Plan (Annexure I) for implementation of SUP ban as per which State Urban Authorities have a key role to play for elimination of SUP; and

**Whereas** CPCB issued Direction dated 01-2-2022 to all SPCBs/PCCs on the subject (Annexure II) which included following Directions related to the State Authorities:

1. To direct the concerned State Authorities to implement following action points to ensure effective implementation of SUP ban:
  - a. District-wise identification of major Commercial Establishments (Malls/ Market place/ Shopping Centers/ Cinema Houses/ Tourist Locations/ Schools/ Colleges/ Office complexes / Hospitals & other Institutions) and Stockiest/ 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.
  - b. To take necessary action, including cancellation of commercial licenses issued, against the identified entities if found violating stipulated conditions.
  - c. To issue fresh commercial licenses to major Stockiest/ retailers/ sellers/ and Commercial Establishments with the condition that they shall not be stocking/selling/using banned SUP items
  - d. To frame local bye-laws for levying Environmental compensation in line with CPCB Guidelines for violation of stipulated conditions.
  - e. 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

2. To conduct field inspections in association with District Magistrate, District Police & Local Urban and Rural Authorities to eliminate stocking, sale & usage & as per format
3. To identify SUP Producers engaged in production of banned SUP items in informal sector/ suppliers of plastic raw material to such producers through contact tracing / public notice /public grievance reporting etc. & initiating action against them in association with local authorities.
4. To provide information for Mapping of District in each State/ UT for the SUP App being developed by CPCB.
5. To coordinate with State Authorities to ensure grievance raised in the SUP App or any other similar App available with the local authorities are resolved in a time bound manner. RO, SPCB concerned shall coordinate with local authorities to resolve the grievance till details as per "10' above are provided and the source/origin of banned SUP items are traced and action is taken against the defaulters.
6. To take penal action/ levy EC on violators of stipulated conditions of the said Notification

**Whereas** CPCB issued letter dated February 25, 2022 ( **Annexure III**) to Chief Secretaries of all State/UTs requesting for issuance of necessary instructions to concerned Authorities for implementation of Action Points as identified in the Action Plan; and

**Whereas** CPCB has developed SUP Public Grievance App which has provision for lodging of SUP related complaints (Description with geo-tagged pictures) by the citizens It has provision for online transfer of complaint to the concerned official for its resolution. The complaint redressal can be tracked on the App by the complainant. Country wise GeoJSON maps have been prepared to make the App fully operational across the Country. The App is available on the Play Store / App Store where it can be searched using " **SUP CPCB**" The QR code for downloading this App from the Play Store/ App Store is available on CPCB website <https://cpcb.nic.in/uploads/SUPApp.pdf> . The Instruction sheet for operation of SUP Grievance App is available on the "Menu" Page under the "Support" section.

**Whereas**, CPCB has developed SUP Compliance Monitoring Portal (cpcbplastic.in/SUP) which provides for Registration of Local bodies by the State Boards. The local bodies can enlist Manufacturers, Sellers (Stockiest, Retailers etc.) & Users (Hotels, Restaurants etc.) of SUP operating in their region. Inspection of the listed entities can be done through the **Field Inspection App** to ensure that the listed entities discontinue sale, The App is available on the Play Store / App Store where it can be searched using production or usage of SUP post July 01, 2022. "**SUP Field Application**" The portal also provides for filing of Inspection report and Action taken in case of violation reported. The Instruction sheet / FAQ for operation of SUP Monitoring Portal is available on the Homepage of the Portal listed entities discontinue sale, production or usage of

**Whereas** Hon'ble NGT vide Order dated September 10, 2020 in O.A 247/2017 had directed CPCB to finalize the compensation regime for violation of PWM Rules Further Hon'ble NGT directions vide order dated 08.01.2021 on the matter, directed that EC and penal action regime proposed by the CPCB (**Annexure IV**) may be duly implemented by the CPCB, State PCBs/PCCs, State Level Monitoring Committees and all other concerned authorities. Whereas the EC regime prepared by CPCB has provision for levying EC in case violation

**Whereas** CPCB is regularly following up with SPCBs/PCCs to ensure compliance of Directions issued by CPCB as well as coordinate activities taken up by CPCB for implementation of the SUP ban. CPCB convened five interactive Meetings with SPCBs /PCCs during Jan-May 2022 for the purpose. In addition, Regional Workshops/Central Workshop with SPCBs/PCCs have been organized during June 2022.

Whereas, the third National Task Force Meeting was convened by MoEF&CC on June 26, 2022 in which the SPCBs/PCCs were directed to execute the following action points:

- (1) Establishment of control room to monitor the enforcement of SUP ban by July 01, 2022
- (2) Survey of manufacturing locations/sites, storage warehouse for stocking of banned single use plastic etc
- (3) Survey of municipal solid waste for presence of banned SUP items
- (4) Pan India Awareness campaign covering the following:
  - Regular newspaper advertisements on banned SUP items and alternatives
  - Sensitization workshops with industry
  - Field publicity activities (hoardings and displays) at important public places community assembly points, markets, tourist spots, religious places, bus terminals
  - Sensitization campaigns at market places, shopping malls, hotels, road side eateries, and

Whereas CPCB has issued Directions dated June 30, 2022 (**Annexure V**) to all State Boards to set up Control Rooms for effective implementation of SUP ban and intensive awareness and enforcement activities

Whereas Urban Development Department has a key role in checking sale / usage of SUP in accordance with provision of PWM Rules; 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 are issued for compliance:

1. SUP Compliance Monitoring Portal (<http://cpcbplastic.in/sup/>)


- a. To ensure that all Local Bodies in your jurisdiction are registered on the SUP monitoring portal.
- b. To direct all Local Bodies to enlist all the major Commercial Establishments (Malls/ Market place/ Shopping Centers/ Cinema Houses/ Tourist Locations/ Schools/ Colleges/ Office complexes / Hospitals & other Institutions) and Stockiest/ 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 operating in their jurisdiction on the portal.
- c. To direct all Local bodies to carry out intensive field inspections of the Commercial Establishments through the **Field Inspection Module** and file the inspection report as per procedures specified on the Portal.
- d. To take appropriate action including seizure of goods, cancellation of commercial licenses, levying of Environmental Compensation etc. against the identified violators of SUP Ban and report the same on the Portal.
- e. To ensure that complaints submitted by the Control Room on the portal related to sale & usage of SUP are resolved within seven days of lodging of Complaint and action as deemed fit is taken by the concerned Authorities.

## 2. SUP Grievance App

- a. To ensure that complete information (mapping of Districts & identification of concerned authorities) is provided to the State Boards for onward submission to CPCB to make the App fully operational in your jurisdiction
- b. To ensure that complaints raised by the citizens related to sale & usage of SUP are resolved within seven days of lodging of Complaint and action as deemed fit is taken by the concerned Authorities


You are requested to take necessary action to ensure compliance of above Directions in line with the and submit action taken report by July 07, 2022 to this office.

Yours faithfully,

  
30/6/22  
(Tanmay Kumar)  
Chairman

Copy to

1. Addl. Secretary, HSMD, MoEF&CC
2. All SPCBs/PCCs
3. All CPCB Regional Directorates
4. DH (IT)

  
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