

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

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Karnataka Government Secretariat,
M.S. Building,
Bangaluru, Dated:30.06.2022.

CIRCULAR

The Government of Karnataka in exercise of the powers conferred under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 issued the direction of imposing the ban on the use, manufacture, supply, store, transport, sale and/or distribution of **plastic carry bags, plastic banners, plastic buntings, flex, plastic flags, plastic plates, plastic cups, plastic spoons, cling films and plastic sheets used for spreading on dining table irrespective of their thickness including the above items made of thermocol and plastic which use plastic micro beads in the State**, vide Notification No. FEE 17 EPC 2012, dated: 11th March 2016.

The Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC) in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 3, 6 and 25 of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 has notified the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, vide Notification No. G.S.R. 320 (E), dated 18th March, 2016 in supersession of the Plastic Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011.

The Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 6, 8 and 25 of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 has amended the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 vide Notification No. G.S.R 571(E), dated: 12th August, 2021 which mandates banning of identified Single Use Plastic (SUP) items with effect from 1st July, 2022;

Further, as per The Rule 4(2) of Plastic Waste Management 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 01.07.2022.

- (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;

It is reiterated now that the direction issued by the Government of Karnataka in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 of imposing ban on the use, manufacture, supply, store, transport, sale and or distribution of the said Plastic items vide notification No.FEE 17 EPC 2012, dated: 11.03.2016 will continue to be in force in State of Karnataka, in addition to the Notification No. G.S.R 571(E), dated: 12th August, 2021 issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC).

The following officers are hereby authorized to implement this circular in their respective jurisdictions:

- a) The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Urban Development Department
- b) The Principal Secretary to Government, Urban Development Department
- c) The Principal Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department
- d) All Deputy Commissioners of the Districts
- e) The Commissioner, Joint Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners and All Public Health Officers of BBMP
- f) All Commissioners and Chief Officers and Health Officers and all members of the local bodies in the State
- g) All Regional Officers/All Environmental Officers of Karnataka State Pollution Control Board;
- h) The Director, Directorate of Municipal Administration
- i) All Assistant Commissioners, Revenue Department
- j) Tahshildars of all Taluks
- k) Officers of Commercial Tax Department
- l) Officers of Department of Food and Civil Supplies
- m) Commissioners/Superintendent of Police;
- n) General Managers, District Industries Centre;
- o) Officer-in-charge of Police Stations.
- p) Designated Officers and Food Safety Officers of Food Safety Commissionerate

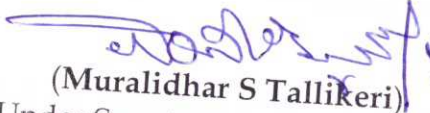
The Urban Development Department, the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department and the authorities and bodies under the said Departments and the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board shall ensure monitoring and implementation of the said Notifications.

The contravention of directions, as stated in this Circular shall be an offence committed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules, Orders, Notifications

framed there under and attract penal provisions as specified under section 15 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

In case of violation of directions, as specified in this Circular, Environmental Compensation may also be imposed in accordance with guidelines issued by CPCB under Plastic Waste (Management) Rules, 2016.

This Circular shall come into force from the 1st of July, 2022.


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7. The Secretary to Government, Urban Development Department, Vikasa Soudha, Bengaluru
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9. The Member Secretary, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, "Parisara Bhavana", 1st to 5th Floor, No. 49, Church Street, Bengaluru - 560 001.
10. The Commissioner, BBMP.
11. The Director, Municipal Administration, Bengaluru.
12. Deputy Commissioners of all Districts.
13. Chief Executive Officers, Zilla Panchayath of all Districts.
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