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**Notice for Prohibiting Production, Stocking, Distribution, Sale & Use of Single Use Plastic (SUP) Items**

This is for the information of all concerned that, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India has issued notification No G.S.R. 571(E) dated 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 prohibiting manufacture, import, stocking, distribution sale and use of SUP with effect from the July 01, 2022.

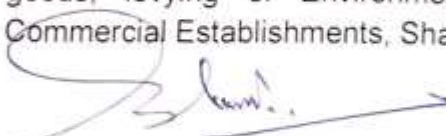
As per Rule 4(2) of PWM Rules, 2016 (as amended), "The Manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of following single use plastic (SUP), including polystyrene and expanded polystyrene, commodities shall be prohibited with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022:

- 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 1000 micron, stirrers;

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 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 and one hundred and twenty (120) microns in thickness with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2022. Also as per Rules 4(1)(j) non-woven plastic carry bag shall not be less than 60 Gram Per Square Meter (GSM) with effect from the 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021'.

This Notice is being issued to inform all Producers, Stockiest, Retailers, Shopkeepers, e-commerce Companies, and Street Vendors, Commercial Establishments (Malls/ Market place/ Shopping Centre's/ Cinema Houses/ Tourist locations/ Schools/ Colleges/ Office Complexes/ Hospitals & other Institutions) and general public to stop production, stocking, distribution, sale and usage of identified SUP items as per the timelines specified in the said MoEF&CC Notification. Further, necessary action is to be taken by the concerned entities to ensure zero inventories of the aforementioned SUP items by June 30, 2022.

Action, as deemed fit under Environmental Protection Act, 1986 including Seizure of goods, levying of Environmental Compensation, Closure of operations of Industries/ Commercial Establishments, Shall be taken against the Violators of the said Notification.

  
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