

**Government of West Bengal**  
**Department of Environment**

No. EN/ 1200 /T-IV-6/001-i/2003

Dated, Kolkata the 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2005.

NOTIFICATION

Whereas the increasing ambient noise levels in public places from various sources, inter-alia, industrial activities, construction activities, generator sets, loud speakers, public address systems, music systems, vehicular horns and other devices have deleterious effects on human health and the psychological well being of the people, it is considered necessary to regulate and control noise producing and generating sources with the objective of maintaining the ambient air quality standards in respect of noise ;

And whereas there is a need to declare an area of 100 metres around all Government Hospitals in Kolkata, in Districts & in Sub-Divisions of the State along with the High Court as Silence Zone ;

Now therefore in exercise of power conferred under rule 3(2) of the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000, the Governor is hereby pleased to declare an area of 100 metres around all the Govt. Hospitals in Kolkata, in Districts & in Sub-Divisions, along with an area of 100 metres around the High Court and all other Courts in Districts and in Sub-Divisions in the State of West Bengal as “Silence Zone” from the date of the publication of this notification.

The competent authority shall be responsible for the enforcement of noise pollution control measures and due compliance of the ambient air quality-standards in respect of noise.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/- Kamal Kumar Pandey,  
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.

Ordered that the Notification be published in an extra-ordinary issue of the Calcutta Gazette and copies thereof be circulated for general information.

By order of the Governor,

(Kamal Kumar Pandey)  
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.