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STATUTORY CIRCULAR

WHEREAS West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred to as the `State Board'), has been entrusted to execute different provisions of environmental laws within the territorial jurisdiction of the State of West Bengal ;

AND WHEREAS State Board has also been entrusted to implement the provisions of the Recycled Plastic Manufacture & Usage Rules, 1999, read with Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 ;

AND WHEREAS as per the provisions of the aforementioned Rules, 1999, no one can manufacture, stock, distribute, sell or use plastic carry bags below 20 microns and below the size of 8" x 12" ;

AND WHEREAS State Board also by issuing circulars, from time to time, in exercise of powers conferred under Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made thereunder has banned manufacture sale and use of plastic carry bags in the ecologically fragile areas in the State of West Bengal, which are as follows :-

1. The entire Sundarbans area,
2. Coastal Regulation Zone areas (like Digha, Sankarpur, Frazerganj, Sagar, Bakkhali etc.),
3. Hilly areas of Darjeeling district,
4. The entire Siliguri Subdivision and the area under Siliguri Municipal Corporation which lies in Jalpaiguri District of West Bengal, and
5. The forest areas of West Bengal.
6. The entry, use and sale of plastic carry bags within the campus of Viswa Bharati Viswa Vidyalaya, areas under Sriniketan-Santiniketan Development Authority and areas under Bolpur Municipality in Birbhum district of West Bengal.

AND WHEREAS State Board has also banned the use of plastic carry bags in different heritage and tourist sites in the State of West Bengal for the interest of protection of environment, which are as given below :-

1	Indian Botanic Gardens, Shibpore.	21	Eden Garden, Kolkata.
2	Zoological Garden, Kolkata.	22	Nehru Children Museum, Kolkata.
3	Subhas Sarobar, Kolkata.	23	Birla Industrial and Technological Museum, Kolkata.
4	Rabindra Sarobar, Kolkata.	24	Barrackpore Gandhi Ghat, Barrackpore.
5	Victoria Memorial Hall, Kolkata.	25	New Digha Paryatan Kendra, Hooghly.
6	National Library, Kolkata.	26	Soakhal Energy Park, Hooghly.
7	Bandel Church, Bandel.	27	Energy Education Park, Kolkata.
8	Belurmath, Belur.	28.	Citizen Park, Kolkata.
9	Hazarduari Palace, Murshidabad.	29	Deshyapriya Park, Kolkata.
10	Millennium Park, Kolkata.	30	Paddapukur (Lansdowne), Kolkata.
11	Strand Road (including Church Road, Chandannagar, Hooghly).	31	Allen Park, Kolkata.
12	Chhuti Amusement Park (Chandannagar, Hooghly).	32	Macpherson Square, Kolkata.
13	KMDA Park (Chandannagar, Hooghly).	33	Victoria Park, Kolkata.
14	Banabitan, Salt Lake.	34	Leonard Square, Kolkata.
15	Science City Complex, Kolkata.	35	College Square, Kolkata.
16	Nicco Park, Kolkata.	36	Hedua, Kolkata.
17	Nalban Boating Complex, Kolkata.	37	Deshbandhu Park, Kolkata.
18	Swabhumi, Kolkata.	38	Shradhanand Park, Kolkata.
19	Indian Museum, Kolkata.	39	Talla Park.
20	Birla Planetarium, Kolkata.		

Therefore, once again all the manufacturers, stockists and users are hereby directed to comply with the aforementioned guidelines of the State Board regarding use of plastic carry bags to avoid regulatory order as provided under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and also legal actions as warranted under Section 15 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

All concerned persons and authorities should ensure strict compliance of this circular.

By Order,

Sd/-
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