WHEREAS the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (hereinafter will be referred to as the ‘WBPCB’) is entrusted with the enforcement of the provisions of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for the purpose of protection of environment and for the prevention and control of pollution in the State of West Bengal;

AND WHEREAS it is observed that due to extensive and indiscriminate use and littering of non-biodegradable plastic carrybags in the under mentioned heritage and tourist spots, huge quantity of garbage containing plastic carrybags accumulates causing environmental pollution due to contamination of water and land in such areas or in their vicinity;

AND WHEREAS for the purpose of protecting the environment in the under mentioned area, the entry, use, sale and processing of the plastic carrybags should be prohibited;

AND THEREFORE in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 33 and 33A of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974 and by Section 31A of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1981 and in consultation with the Kolkata Municipal Corporation, the entry, use, sale of plastic carrybags are prohibited in the following areas with immediate effect:
i) Citizen Park;  
ii) Deshyapriya Park;  
iii) Paddapukur (Lansdowne);  
iv) Allen Park;  
v) Macpherson Square;  
vi) Victoria Park;  
vii) Leonard Square;  
viii) College Square;  
ix) Hedua;  
x) Deshbandhu Park;  
xii) Shradhanand Park;  
xii) Talla Park.

2. In case of any violation of this order by any organization or individual, the Administrative Heads of the aforementioned places will take appropriate action with the help of Police Authorities, who will be at liberty to take action u/s. 188 of the IPC.

3. The Officers-in-Charges of the concerned Police Stations are also directed to oversee that the aforementioned direction is not violated in any manner and in case any violation is noted, immediate action under Section 188 of the Indian Penal Code may be initiated against the violator.

4. The Commissioner, Kolkata Municipal Corporation and also the Administrative Heads of the aforementioned places will take necessary steps for proper execution and implementation of the aforementioned direction under intimation to the WBPCB.

By Order  
Sd/-  
(Syamal Kumar Sarkar)  
Member Secretary  
WBPCB.