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पर्यावरण वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय का पत्र संख्या 17/1/2017-HSMD दिनांक 09.03.2020, मंत्रिमंडल सचिव, भारत सरकार ने अपने पत्र दिनांक 12.03.2020 के साथ सलंगित किया है जो कि मुख्यालय की ईमेल दिनांक 18.03.2020 द्वारा अग्रेषित सभी अनुभागों के प्रमुखों तथा उनके अधीनस्थ कर्मचारियों की सूचना एबम आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रस्तुत है।

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CABINET SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

D.O. No. 172/2/1/2019-Cab.III

12th March, 2020

Dear Secretary


This is with reference to the letter of Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change dated 9th March, 2020 (*copy enclosed*) regarding PVC/ plastic folders being indiscriminately used in government institutions and offices for short term purposes.

2. As has been mentioned in the aforesaid letter, Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) is a non-biodegradable material and if burned, releases toxic fumes. These harmful toxins may cause serious hazard to human health and environment. Use of PVC/ plastic folders in government offices should, therefore, be avoided. Alternatives such as paper or card board folders, jute folders etc. may be adopted.

3. I would request your personal attention to ensure that use of PVC/ plastic folders is stopped in your Ministry/ Department, as also in all the attached/ subordinate offices and CPSEs.

With regards

Yours sincerely,


12/3/20
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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

D.O. No. 17/1/2017-HSMD

Dated: 9th March, 2020

Dear Secretary,

With the increasing efforts taken by the people of India in reducing plastic pollution, it is indeed going to be a journey in which everyone's participation is critical. The central government and its organisations need to lead by example. We will all have to work hand in hand to scale down the use of plastic wherever possible and contribute to the cause of developing a cleaner, greener and safer environment.

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, has notified Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 (PWMR, 2016) to manage plastics in an environmentally sound manner throughout their life-cycle. A number of States / UTs have implemented Regulations supplementing PWMR, 2016 to manage plastic pollution. Several States and UTs have introduced notifications completely banning plastic carry bags and/ or single-use plastic items such as food packaging, cutlery etc.

Pursuant to Hon'ble Prime Minister's call to curb single use plastics by 2022, Standard Guidelines for Single Use Plastics were issued to various States/UTs and all Ministries in January 2019 and the same were reiterated in September 2019. In this regard, I had written to you earlier also on 13th June, 2018 and 13th February, 2020 (Copies enclosed).

I would like to draw your attention, specifically to PVC/plastic folders being indiscriminately used in governmental institutions and offices for short term purposes. Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC), a plastic polymer, is a non-biodegradable material and if burned, releases toxic fumes such as dioxins, furans etc. The harmful toxins may get bio-accumulated in the food chain of ecosystems causing a serious hazard to human health and environment.

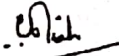
In order to combat plastic pollution, reduction in use of avoidable plastics is necessary. Therefore, use of PVC/plastic folders in government offices should be strictly avoided. Alternatives such as paper or card board folders, jute folders etc can be used in the offices. Such a step will help strengthen our national resolve to combat plastic pollution in the country. A sample of paper/card board folder that may be used in Ministries/Government Institutions is enclosed herewith.

I would urge you to adopt usage of such folders and stop use of PVC / plastic folders hence forth.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Encl: as above.


[C.K. Mishra]

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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

D.O. No. 15019-1/4/2017-GA

Dated: 13th June, 2018

Dear Secretary,

As you are aware, India was the global host for "World Environment Day (WED)-2018" which was celebrated on 05.06.2018. The theme of WED-2018 "Beat Plastic Pollution" calls upon Governments, Industries, communities and individuals to come together and explore sustainable alternatives and reducing the production and excessive use of single-use plastic.

In pursuance of this, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) had launched pan-India plastic clean-up drive in public areas, national reserves, forests, beaches, rivers, etc. We have taken the first step and MoEF&CC has stopped use of single-use plastic items such as PET water bottles, plastic cups and plates, plastic glasses, plastic jugs, plastic folders, plastic banners in Indra Paryavaran Bhawan, the Headquarters of our Ministry.

The aim of Government of India is to make all offices single-use plastic-free in the ensuing two months. Hence, I urge upon you to kindly instruct all officers under the administrative control of your Ministry, including attached or subordinate offices, autonomous bodies and public sector units, to phase out use of single-use plastic items in their offices. An example set by the Government will have a huge impact across the country.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(G.K. Mishra)

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D.O. No. 17/1/2017-HSMD

Dated: 13th February, 2020

Dear Secretary,

At the outset, I would like to appreciate the efforts made by you and your team towards achieving a cleaner, greener and safe environment. As you are aware, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has notified the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 (PWMR, 2016) to manage plastic waste in an environmentally sound manner throughout their life cycle. Several States and UTs have implemented regulations supplementing PWMR, 2016 to ensure effective management of plastic waste.

In continuance of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's call to curb single use plastic and phase out its use by 2022, I would like to draw your attention to Single use or short life PVC flex boards or posters being indiscriminately used in governmental institutions and offices for short term advertisement and other purposes. Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC), a plastic polymer, is a non-biodegradable material and if burned, releases toxic fumes such as dioxins, furans etc. The harmful toxins may get bio-accumulated in the food chain of ecosystems causing a serious hazard to human health and environment.

In order to combat plastic pollution, reduction in use of avoidable plastics is necessary. Therefore, use of single use or short life PVC flex for banners and posters in government offices or its functions should be strictly avoided. Alternatives such as cloth banners, light weight textile fabrics, wrinkle resistant wrap knit, natural-fibre based sandwich boards, resin - infused paper, particle boards etc. can be used. Such a step will help strengthen our national resolve to combat plastic pollution on the country.

I take this opportunity to reiterate the need for eliminating the use of Single use or short life PVC flex, banners and posters in all Government institutions and offices.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


[C. K. Mishra]

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