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# Complete Ban on Identified Single Use Plastic Items throughout the Country from 1st July 2022



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Campbell Bay, 28 June 2022

In line with the clarion call given by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Mr. Narendra Modi, to phase out single use plastic items by 2022, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India has notified the Plastic Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2021, on 12th of August 2021. Carrying forward the spirit of 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsava', a defining step to

curb pollution caused by littered and unmanaged plastic waste is being taken by the country. India will ban the manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of identified single use plastic items, which have low utility and high littering potential, all across the country from July 1, 2022.

The adverse impacts of littered single use plastic items on both terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, including in the marine environment are globally recognized. Addressing pollution

due to single use plastic items has become a significant environmental challenge confronting all countries.

In the 4th United Nations Environment Assembly held in 2019, India piloted a resolution on addressing single-use plastic products pollution, recognizing the urgent need for the global community to focus on this very important issue. The adoption of this resolution at UNEA 4 was a significant step. In the recently concluded 5th session of the United Nations Environment



Assembly in March 2022, India engaged constructively with all member states to develop a consensus on the resolution for driving global action on plastic pollution.

The Government of India has taken resolute steps for mitigation of pollution caused by littered Single Use Plastics. The list of banned items includes earbuds with plastic sticks, plastic sticks for balloons, plastic flags, candy sticks, ice-cream sticks, polystyrene (Thermocol) for decoration, plastic plates, cups, glasses, cutlery such as forks, spoons, knives, straw, trays, wrapping or

packing films around sweet boxes, invitation cards, cigarette packets, plastic or PVC banners less than 100 micron, stirrers.

The Plastic Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2021, also prohibit the manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of plastic carry bags having a thickness less than seventy-five microns with effect from 30th September 2021, and having a thickness less than one hundred and twenty microns with effect from the 31st December 2022.

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

has also notified the Guidelines on Extended Producers Responsibility on plastic packaging as Plastic Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2022 on 16th February 2022. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is the responsibility of a producer for the environmentally sound management of the product until the end of its life. The Guidelines will provide a framework to strengthen the circular economy of plastic packaging waste, promote the development of new alternatives to plastic packaging and provide the next steps for moving towards sustainable plastic packaging by businesses.

Capacity-building workshops are being organized for MSME units to provide them with technical assistance for manufacturing alternatives to banned single use plastic items with the involvement of CPCB/SPCBs/PCCs along with the Ministry of Small Micro and Medium Enterprises and Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering (CIPET) and their state centres. Provisions have also been made to support such enterprises in transitioning away from banned single use plastics.

The Government of India has also taken steps to

promote innovation and provide an ecosystem for accelerated penetration and availability of alternatives all across the country.

For effective enforcement of the ban on identified SUP items from 1 July 2022, national and state-level control rooms will be set up and special enforcement teams will be formed to check the illegal manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of banned single use plastic items. States and Union Territories have been asked to set up border checkpoints to stop the inter-state movement

of any banned single-use plastic items.

CPCB Grievance Redressal App has been launched to empower citizens to help curb the plastic menace. For wider public outreach, PRAKRITI - mascot was also launched on 5th April.

The Government has been taking measures for awareness generation towards the elimination of single use plastics. The awareness campaign has brought together entrepreneurs and startups, industry, Central, State and Local Governments, regulatory



bodies, experts, citizen organizations, R & D and academic institutions.

The success of the ban will only be possible through effective engagement and concerted actions by all stakeholders and enthusiastic public participation.





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# Residents of Katchal Demands Felling of Dangerous Trees Posing Threat to Life & Property



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Campbell Bay, 28 June 2022

The residents of Katchal have been demanding to fell dangerous trees located all throughout the Island near Govt. Offices, Schools, Roads and Homes at both settler and tribal villages. As per the residents, the Range Office, Department of Environment & Forests, Katchal has already identified around 300 dangerous trees which pose threat to life and property.

Residents allege that even after the identification of dangerous trees by the

concerned authorities are not taking immediate action and are transferring responsibility upon one another.

Residents also informed that during inclement weather people are unable to sleep peacefully as they are always in fear of a tree falling on their house.

In response to a letter regarding the felling of dangerous trees by Katchal Settler Welfare Association, the Deputy Conservator of Forests (Planning and Monitoring) requested the



Divisional Forest Officer (Nicobar Division) to refer the matter to the concerned SDM for the issue of permission U/s 133 Cr.PC. for felling of trees, if the trees in question are found to be dangerous to life and property of nearby residents, upon inspection.

In response, the Divisional Forest Officer instructed the Range Officer, Katchal Range to issue necessary guidance to the agency/party



concerned to deal with dangerous trees in accordance with the minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Andaman and Nicobar Islands in September 2013.

Residents informed that have not received any further update regarding the status of their request for the felling of dangerous trees.

The Administration should immediately act and issue necessary

directions for the feeling  
of dangerous trees to  
save the lives and  
property of the  
residents.





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# MP Inaugurates Amenities at Dhobi Ghat Constructed under MPLADS



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Port Blair, 28 June 2022

Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma, Member of Parliament, Andaman and Nicobar Islands recently inaugurated an Open Hall with a Small Office and Toilet at Dhobi Ghat, Prem Nagar in presence of Mrs. Amar Devi, Councillor, Ward No. 7, PBMC.

The construction of the structure was funded through MPLADS on demand of the people.

Mr. A. K Paul, Executive Engineer, PBMC, Mrs. K Anita Kumari, Executive Engineer, PBND, APWD

and members of the Washermen Community and prominent citizens were present during the inauguration.

Mrs. Anita Kumari, EE, PBND, APWD informed that the cost of the project was Rs. 29,72,107/- and the work commenced on 04th December 2020.

Mr. M. K Rao, Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Washermen Community appreciated the allotment of funds under MPLAD for the construction of such amenities



for the washermen community.

Mr. Sharma expressed his joy on the completion of the project which has fulfilled a long pending demand of the washermen community.

Mrs. Shanta Laxman, Ex-Chairperson, PBMC, Mr. K Ganeshan, Ex-Chairperson, PBMC, Mr. Murugan, Ex-Chairperson, PBMC and Mrs. Zubaida Begum, Ex-Chairperson, PBMC also graced the inauguration function.

Mr. K R Raj, Social Worker of Ward No. 7 proposed the vote of thanks on the occasion.





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# State Executive Meeting of BJP-A & N Islands Held



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Port Blair, 28 June 2022

Bharatiya Janata Party, Andaman and Nicobar Islands organised its State Executive Meeting on 28th June 2022 at Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee Bhavan, Port Blair. Mr. Y Satya Kumar, National Secretary, BJP and Prabhari of BJP, A & N Islands joined the meeting virtually.

Mr. Ajoy Bairagi, State President, BJP, A & N Islands, Mr. Vishal Jolly, National Executive Member, BJP, Mr. Bishnu Pada Ray, Ex-Member of



Parliament along with Core Committee Members, State Office Bearers, District Presidents, Morcha Heads, PRI Members and Councillors of PBMC participated in the meeting.

Mr. Mohan Halder, State Secretary, BJP, A & N Islands welcomed the gathering. The gathering was addressed by Mr. Ajoy Bairagi, Mr. Vishal Jolly, Mr. Bishnu Pada Ray and Mr. Y Satya Kumar.

The issues of the Islands were discussed in detail during the meeting.

Mr. Mohan Vinod, State Vice President, BJP, A & N Islands proposed the vote of thanks.

Mr. K Ram Das, State General Secretary, BJP, A & N Islands & Mr. M Vinod were the overall in charge of programme.

Organisers appreciated the IT Team for connecting the participants virtually from remote Islands.







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# Vaccination of Cattle Against LSD Proceeding Smoothly in Great Nicobar



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Many cases of Lumpy Skin Disease in Cattle were reported from Great Nicobar recently. The Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services started vaccinating the cattle in the Island to prevent further spread of the disease and to stop the loss that the farmers have incurred.

Vaccines to prevent Lumpy Skin Disease were administered to stray cattle at Campbell Bay by the Department of AH&VS with



the support of Govind Nagar Panchayat on 28th June 2022. Mr. Venkat Rao, Pradhan, Govind Nagar Panchayat arranged for the stray cattle to be caught and the Senior Veterinary Officer and her team vaccinated the stray cattle.

Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services is doing a fantastic job in Great Nicobar. Several farmers have appreciated the efforts of the department.





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