

Present Status of Action taken report with respect to prohibition on Single Use Plastic Commodities and implementation of Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2018

1. Hon'ble Prime Minister reviewed the matter during PRAGATI meeting held on February 24, 2021 and it was informed that monitoring mechanism shall be integrated with Action Plan for phasing out SUPs.
2. Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MOEF&CC) issued draft Amendment to PWM Rules 2016, Vide Notification No. G.S.R. 169 (E) dated March 11, 2021, which was finalized and published on 12.08.2021. As per the notification dated 12.08.2021, prohibition on Manufacture, Import, Stocking, Distribution, Sale and Use of 19 Single Use Plastic items w.e.f. 1st July 2022 as follows: (i) Ear buds with plastic sticks (ii) Plastic sticks for balloons (iii) Plastic flags (iv) Candy sticks (v) Ice cream sticks (vi) Polystyrene (Thermocol) for decoration (vii) Plates (viii) Cups (ix) Glasses (x) Forks (xi) Spoons (xii) Knives (xiii) Straws (xiv) Trays (xv) Wrapping/ packing films around sweet boxes (xvi) Invitation cards (xvii) Cigarette packets (xviii) Plastic / PVC banners less than 100 microns (xix) Stirrers. 3. The Special Task force under Chairmanship of Chief Secretary for taking measures to single use plastics in a mission mode was constituted on 20.05.2021 by Delhi Govt. in pursuance of PRAGATI meeting held on 24.02.2021.
3. The first meeting of Special Task Force on PWM Rules, 2016 and phasing out of SUP's was held on 08.06.2021. The Task Force was to prepare a comprehensive Action Plan with focus on implementation of provisions of PWM Rules, 2016 and building strong public movement around this issue with wider Public Participation. The action points with timelines and responsibilities were decided to be implemented by various agencies in time bound manner.
4. The progress made by various departments / agencies on the decisions taken in the meeting of STF dated 08.06.2021 was reviewed on 18.06.2021 by Additional Chief Secretary, Urban Development Department, Govt. of Delhi.
5. A meeting was held on 22.07.2021 under the Chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary (Env. & Forest), Govt. Of Delhi to work out the modalities for preparation of Comprehensive Action Plan on Elimination of Single Use Plastic in Delhi as outlined in the indicative Action Plan suggested by MOE&F letter dated 08.07.2021.
6. In compliance of decision taken in STF meeting held on 08.06.2021, meetings with stakeholders consultation on identification and adoption of feasible alternatives for identified Single Use Plastic items was held on 28.06.2021, 02.08.2021 and 29.10.2021. The valuable inputs and suggestions given by the stakeholders and participants towards identification and adoption of feasible alternatives to identified SUPs considered while drafting the CAP for Delhi.
7. Comprehensive Action Plan for taking measures to eliminate single use plastic was prepared in the proforma as per SOP of MoE&F and circulated on 24.08.2021 and IEC Plan was

circulated on 23.08.2021 to all ULBs, Education and GAD Departments, DMs etc. to comply with the action points in the given timelines.

8. A meeting of National Task Force was held on 31.08.2021, wherein it was reported that only Gujarat and Delhi are the state & UT which have prepared Comprehensive Action Plan as per the proforma. The second meeting of NTF was held on 04.04.2022 wherein Action Taken by various Central Govt. and State Govt. Organisations was discussed and the said organisations were directed to comply decisions within given timeline.
9. Hon'ble Hon'ble L.G. and worthy ACS (Env. and Forest) has taken meetings on 11/4/22 and 12/4/22 with ULBs, DMs, UD Deptt. and other stakeholders and various decisions on phasing out SUPs were taken and concerned dept./ agencies were asked to comply within prescribed timelines.
10. A year long campaign was launched on 22/4/22 and duties were assigned to various ULBs, UD Deptt., DMs and other stakeholders phasing out SUPs in planned manner under the guidance of Hon'ble L.G.
11. International conference in collaboration with UNEP-India was held on 29.04.2022 wherein valuable inputs were given and delivered to phase out Single Use Plastics in Delhi.
12. MCD has finalised byelaws which are yet to be notified and has identified and included six more SUPs (apart from 19 SUPs already banned w.e.f. 1.07.2022) for ban w.e.f. 01.07.2022 in NCT of Delhi: (a) Water bottles < 250 ml (b) Water pouches (c) Plastic banners, posters, etc. (d) Cling films for food packaging (e) Small sachets for ketchup/ sauces (f) Multi-layered SUPs and thermocol cutlery.
13. A meeting was taken by ACS (Env. Dept.) with officials of ULB, DMs, UD Dept. and other stakeholders on 12.05.2022 wherein they were directed to furnish Action Taken Report on C.A.P., IEC and decisions taken in meeting held on 12/4/2022 within 02 days so that further course of action may be decided.
14. Weekly sensitisation program on PWM Rules and phasing out SUPs in collaboration with reputed training partners were regularly held on 16.03.2022, 08.04.2022, 18.04.2022, 29.04.2022, 04.05.2022, 11.05.2022, 17.05.2022, 12.06.2022 05.07.2022, 08.07.2022, 12.07.2022 & 02.08.2022 to train and educate officials from ULBs, Industrial Associations, Commercial units, Revenue Dept., DPCC, RWAs, Education and Eco-clubs of schools and colleges.
15. An event was organized to encourage/promote start-up entrepreneur was held on 25/05/2022 wherein various start-ups, entrepreneurs/ NGOs/ Voluntary organizations, etc. have participated and showcase their alternative items/products to SUPs. Various directions were issued to Govt. Dept. / Organizations in their time bound manner to phase out SUPs and promote their alternatives.

16. CPCB has taken review for meetings on 17.06.2022, 22.06.2022 and 30.06.2022, and there after weekly meeting on every Friday Chaired by Chairman, CPCB wherein various issues related to enforcement on ban on SUPs and CPCB portal on monitoring and Grievance App on elimination of SUPs were deliberated and discussed.
17. 3rd National Task Force meeting was held on 24.06.2022, wherein Deptt. of Environment/ DPCC has presented progress made in implementation of elimination of SUPs in mission mode. The action taken by Delhi State has been appreciated in the meeting. Sixth Meeting of Committee for Single Use Plastic chaired by the Secretary (Finance)/ Chairperson of the Committee was held on 19.07.2022 and various decisions were taken to be implemented by different agencies of Government of Delhi.
18. Special Task Force (STF) meeting was held on 20.07.2022 and various decisions were taken to be implemented by different agencies of Government of Delhi. CPCB has is taking weekly review meeting since 01.07.2022 on every Friday Chaired by Chairman, CPCB. wherein enforcement action taken on various portal of CPCB with respect to elimination of SUPs and registration/EPR of PIBOs and PWPs were deliberated in detail
19. Public Notices (Two Nos.) were published and four Hindi Newspapers (i.e. Navbharat Times and Hindustan) on 13.06.2021, 17.07.2021, 31.07.2021, 12.08.2021, 22.08.2021, 15.01.2022, 12.02.2022, 26.02.2022, 12.03.2022, 26.03.2022, 09.04.2022, 23.04.2022 and 14.05.2022 and 28.05.2022, 08.07.2022, 13.07.2022, 21.07.2022, 27.07.2022 and 11.08.2022 directing units coming in purview of PWM Rules :
 - a. To obtain Registration under PWM Rules and to apply for the same on centralized CPCB portal and also comply with their responsibility regarding EPR Action Plan.
 - b. Not to carry out any prohibited activity and comply with other provisions of PWM Rules 2016 amended till date.
 - c. Action to be taken by all the stakeholders for ban on 19 SUP items w.e.f. 1.07.2022 as per Notification dated 12.08.2021.
20. During last six months, various enforcement drives were conducted against plastic recyclers/ reprocessors in industrial areas. During these drives, more than 200 units were inspected. Show cause notices were issues to 48 defaulting units and another 17 units were issued closure directions. 2.62 Crores EDC was imposed against these defaulting units. Out of which 1.32 Crore has been deposited as EDC by these units.
21. Further, inspections of polythene bag/sheet manufacturing units were also conducted. 31 units were found to be defaulting as they were manufacturing polythene bag/sheet of thickness less than the prescribed limit (i.e, 75/50 microns). A total of Rs 1 Crore 3.81 lacs was imposed against these defaulting units. Out of which Rs 20 lacs 10 thousand has been deposited by these units. Approximately 15 tons of banned/prohibited polythene bag/sheet were seized from these defaulting units

22. CPCB has launched a centralized portal in April, 2022 for Registration of PIBOs and PWPBs (Recyclers, Co-processing, Waste to Energy, Waste to Oil etc.) under PWM Rules to apply for Registration with the prescribed Application and Annual Processing Fees at portal www.cpcbepplastic.in developed by CPCB as per the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) described in the said portal, which are also available on CPCB/ DPCC's website. The details has also been published in the Public Notices being issued fortnightly in four English and four Hindi Dailies.
23. DPCC has awarded the work to M/s SIIR to carry out market survey which will cover Stockists/Retailers/Importers, Commercial establishments like malls, Cinema Halls, Tourists Locations, Hospitals and Religious places etc. for inventorization to phase out banned SUP items with regard to availability of banned SUP items and also availability of alternative to these SUP items. The study is to be completed within a period of four months. Total 19 markets of Delhi surveyed to check usages of compost plastic bags. None found using/ storing compost plastic bag.
24. The Grievances with respect manufacturing of banned SUP items and sale/ storage of banned SUP items and other violations of provisions of PWM Rules, 2016 can be lodged through "Green Delhi App" a Mobile App of Delhi Govt. Public Advertisement is also issued in the leading English and Hindi Dailies in this regard. CPCB has also launched Mobile App SUP-CPCB to lodge the grievance in respect of SUPs and violations of PWM Rules.
25. DPCC has evolved a policy of Environmental Compensation for violations under PWM Rules, 2016 on 30.03.2022 which is available on DPCC website. The methodology is based on CPCB report filed in this regard before Hon'ble NGT on 05.01.2021.
26. A Hand Book on PWM Rules for enforcement personnel prepared by DPCC and IPCA was released on 29th April, 2022 which is also being circulated to all the Industrial Associations and all the Stake Holders to educate & guide them about the salient features of PWM Rules.
27. DPCC & Env. Department organized a 03 days Event Plastic Vikalp Mela from 1st to 3rd July, 2022 in Thyagraj Stadium to promote alternative of SUP items. Various start-ups units will participate and exhibit their products which are alternatives to SUP commodities. Database of alternative items to banned SUPs uploaded on website.
28. Moving stroke on SUP Ban on DPCC website and posts on social media i.e. Twitter, Facebook etc., are being uploaded daily to promote SUP Ban and effective compliance of PWM Rules. SMS alerts on ban on SUP items w.e.f. 01.07.2022, sent twice to more than 32000 industries in Delhi.
29. Letter issued to all ULBs on 01.06.2022 for identification and establishing a kisok in the markets for sale, availability & accessibility of alternative of SUP items.

30. Grievances with respect to manufacturing of banned SUP items and sale/storage of banned SUP items and others violations of provisions of PWM Rules, 2016 can be lodged through:-
“**Green Delhi App**”, a Mobile App of Delhi Govt.
“**SUP-CPCB**”, a Mobile App of CPCB.

Delhi Pollution Control Committee has set up a control Room w.r.t SUP elimination, comprising:-

Phone No:- 011-23815435, Email:- dpcc.cmc5@gmail.com

In case of doubt w.r.t 19 banned SUPs commodities, you may seek clarification on E-mail: supdoubts@gmail.com

Around 30 mails were received on dpcc.cmc5@gmail.com w.r.t clarification on SUP & PWM Rules. More than 100 calls received on the given phone nos. of Control Room and the concerned officials.

31. Delhi has redressed 1588 nos. which was received on SUP grievance portal this is highest redressed by any States/UTs in India.
32. Delhi has inspected 1671 entities till date as per CPCB Portal w.r.t. to elimination of SUP which is highest by any States/UTs in India.
33. Jingles, logo/stickers, banners designed etc. on plastic free offices have been prepared and circulated to ULBS, Revenue Department, Education and other department for necessary action.
34. Banner, pamphlet have been circulated in various prominent market, tourist places, religious places, religious places etc. to give wide publicity Delhi Jingles on elimination of SUPs in NCT of Delhi was aired on Radio Mirchi, Radio City and Fever FM w.e.f. 22.12.2022 to 20.01.2023.
35. CPCB has launched intensive activities for enforcement of ban on SUP items, during the months of October-December-2022. The four days drive in the months of October, November & December was conducted to cover Day-1 Street Vendors, Flower Sellers, Local Markets, Day 2 Wholesale Market Border Gazipur, Azadpur, Day-3 Industrial Area of Delhi Day-4 checkup at interstate Borders.
36. On the centralized CPCB EPR portal for plastic 906 application of PIBOs are received and 435 applications of PWPs are received. Out of which 894 applications of PIBOs and 425 applications of PWPs have been decided till date.
37. Fourth National Task Force meeting was held on 25.01.2023 wherein DPCC / Environment Department has sent and mailed presentation on updated status of Action Taken Report on elimination of SUPs and for effective enforcement on PWM Rules, 2016 in Delhi.
38. Public Notice in the two leading English and Hindi Newspapers published on 01.03.2023 w.r.t. following.
- a. Public Notices/advertisements to be issued in English and regional language in leading newspapers and website of SPCB/PCC informing the general public that sale of banned SUP biodegradable (without CPCB certificate) and oxo-biodegradable plastic is in violation of PWM Rules.

- b. Public notices/ads to be issued in English and regional language in leading newspaper and website of SPCB/PCC informing the general public regarding minimum permitted thickness of 120 microns for carry bags with effect from December 21,2022.
39. As per the CPCB directions U/s 5 of EP(A) dated 01.03.2023, four days drive by DPCC & ULBs on enforcement on elimination SUPs is to be carried out for next in six months in different locations of Delhi like Shopping Malls, Market, commercial establishment, industries etc. In month of March, a four day drive by 15 teams was conducted from 21.3.2023 to 24.3.2023 by ULBS, & DPCC. During the four days drive, 126 defaulting entities were observed out of total 516 entities inspected. The total amount of challan of Rs. 3, 14,000/- was imposed against defaulter entities during the four days drive.
40. Next four days drive was conducted from 24.04.2023 to 27.04.2023 by MCD and DPCC as per CPCB directions for enforcement on elimination of SUPs