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No.Camp.-01/2017/2197/UUC., dated 24.09.2018

From

Dr. Suman Das,OES-I
Registrar.

To

The All Principals of affiliated colleges to
Utkal University of Culture,
All officers,
All Departments/Sections,
Steno to Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor

Sub: Elimination of single use plastics within the premises of Temple, Mosques, Gurudwars and Churches in the State and create awareness among general public to beat the plastic pollution.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to enclose herewith the copy of letter No.3179/OLLC dated 13.8.2018 alongwith its enclosures received from Govt. in Odia Language, Literature and Culture Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar and to request you to take necessary steps for launching of awareness programmes to sensitize urban/rural people to avoid single use of plastic to follow of 3Rs (refuse, reduce and reuse) for plastic products on their daily uses. Detailed guidelines received from the Govt. in this regard has been uploaded in the University website:www.uuc.ac.in.

Action taken report in this regard maykindly be communicated to this University for future reference.

Yours faithfully,


REGISTRAR

Memo No. 2198/UUC dated 24.09.2018

Copy to the Addl. Secretary to Govt., Odia Language, Literature and Culture Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action with reference to their letter No.3179/OLLC dated 13.8.2018.


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LANGUAGE, LITERATURE & CULTURE DEPARTMENT
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From

Sri Bipin Bihari Patra,
Under Secretary to Govt

To

- Under Secretary to Govt., Directorate Wing,
- Sanskriti Bhawan , Odisha, Bhubaneswar/
- Superintendent, Odisha State Museum, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Superintendent, Odisha State Archives, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Superintendent, Odisha State Archeology, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Director, HKM State Library, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Principal, Utkal Sangeeta Mahavidyalaya, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Principal, BK College of Arts & Crafts, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Principal, Govt. College of Arts & Crafts, Khallikote, Ganjam/
- Chief Executive, GKCM Odissi Research Centre, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Instructor, V.D. Art School, Jeypore, Koraput/
- Registrar, Utkal University of Culture, Odisha ,Bhubaneswar/
- Secretary, Odisha Sahitya Akademi/
- Secretary, Odisha Urdu Akademi/
- Secretary, Odisha Sangeeta Natak Akademi/
- Secretary, Odisha Lalitakala Akademi/
- Director, Odia Bhasa Pratisthan/
- Secretary, Odishan Institute of Maritime & South-East Asian Studies

Sub: **Elimination of single use plastics within the premises of Temples, Mosques, Gurudwaras and Churches in the State and create awareness among general public to beat plastic pollution.**

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith the copy of the Letter No.16914, Dt.02.08.2018 along with its enclosures received from Forest and Environment Department on the subject cited above and to say that necessary steps may be taken for launching of awareness programmes to sensitize urban/rural people to avoid single-use of plastic to follow the concept of 3Rs (refuse, reduce and reuse) for plastic products in their daily uses.

I would, therefore, request you to communicate and encourage all the Officers & staff of your office to carry out all the points mentioned in the letter in true spirit. Action taken in the matter may also be intimated to this Deptt.

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary to Govt.

Urgent
By Speed Post

Government of Odisha
Forest and Environment Department

No. ENV-I-48/2017 16914/F&E, dt. 2.8.18

From

Dr. K. Murugesan, IFS,
Director, Env.-Cum-Spl. Secy. to Government

To

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The Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue & D.M. Department
The Principal Secretary to Government, Law Department
The Principal Secretary to Government, School & Mass Education Department
The Principal Secy. to Government, Culture Department
The Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Govt., Higher Education Department
The Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government, Tourism Department
All R.D.Cs /All Collectors
The Director, Municipal Administration, H & U.D. Department.
The Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Elimination of single use plastics within the premises of Temples, Mosques, Gurudwaras and Churches in the State and create awareness among general public to beat plastic pollution.

Sir,

In enclosing herewith a copy of the D.O. No. 12/79/2018-HSMD, dated 17.07.2018.2018 received from the Joint Secretary, Govt. of India, MoEF&CC on the above subject, I am to say that the plastic consumption in India is rising day by day and has become one of the biggest environmental challenges for our country. In order to beat plastic pollution, the Ministry has drawn up various programmes and activities.

Now days, it is seen that public places like temples, mosques, gurudwaras and churches in the States have often become one of the major sources of plastic pollution. In view of this, it is suggested that the heads of all major temples, mosques, gurudwaras and churches should take the following initiatives to beat the plastic pollution:

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the Director, O.P.S. for
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- Encourage staff and visitors to prohibit single use plastic products including plastic plates and cutleries, PET bottles, take away cups, lunch wrapped in disposable plastic packaging, plastic bags, disposable food containers, plates and containers made of polystyrene foam, plastic straws, etc.
- Encourage staff and visitors to refuse, reduce and reuse plastic products in their daily uses.
- Encourage use of durable, foldable and inexpensive reusable bag that can be carried around in car, pocket, or purse
- Encourage use of biodegradable and other types of compostable utensils in place of plastic and bring a fork, knife and spoon from home.
- Innovative ideas to reduce plastic footprint are welcome.
- Avoid plastic supplies especially plastic decorative, tapes, etc.
- Put a notice on the entrance or in the premises to prohibit use of single use plastic items in the premises.
- Introduce waste segregation into different colored bins and waste recycling.

They have also urged upon to launch awareness programmes to avoid "Single-use Plastic" and partner with NGOs/Civil society to sensitize urban/rural people to follow the concept of 3Rs(refuse, reduce and reuse) for plastic products in their daily uses.

In view of this, it is requested that necessary steps may kindly be taken to carry out all points raised in the letter No. 12/79/2018-HSMD, dt. 17.07.2018 of MoEF&CC in true spirit.

Yours faithfully,



Director, Env.-Cum-Spl. Secy. to Government

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Ritesh Kumar Singh, I.A.S.



संयुक्त सचिव
जoint Secretary
पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change

D.O. No. 12/79/2018-HSM/D

Date: 17 July 2018

Handwritten signature and date: 24/7/18

Dear Sir

As you are aware that India was the global host of World Environment Day (WED) this year, celebrated on June 05, 2018, in collaboration with UN Environment with a theme "Beat Plastic Pollution".

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2.0 Plastic itself is not a problem but littering of non-biodegradable plastic and unsafe disposal of single-use plastic products and packaging materials is causing severe pollution, as they end up in landfills and oceans and takes hundreds of years to degrade. These discarded plastic products gradually release harmful toxins into the environment. The per capita consumption of plastics in India is on the rise and is one of the biggest environmental challenge for our country.

3.0 Public spaces like temples, mosques, gurudwaras and churches are often a major source plastic pollution. If such institutions are roped in eliminate single use plastics and create awareness among general public, it would go a long way in combating the menace of plastic pollution.

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4.0 Taking the above into consideration, I urge you to write to the heads of all major temples, mosques, gurudwaras and churches in your state encouraging them to start the necessary action in their premises to "Beat Plastic Pollution" by taking following initiatives:

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- Encourage staff and visitors to prohibit Single-use plastic products including plastic plates and cutleries, PET bottles, take away cups, lunch wrapped in disposable plastic packaging, plastic bags, disposable food containers, plates and containers made of polystyrene foam, plastic straws etc.
- Encourage staff and visitors to refuse, reduce and reuse plastic products in their daily uses.
- Encourage use of durable, foldable and inexpensive reusable bag that can be carried around in car, pocket, or purse.
- Encourage use of biodegradable and other types of compostable utensils in place of plastic and bring a fork, knife and spoon from home.

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Chief Secretary,
Odisha



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- Innovative ideas to reduce plastic footprint are welcome.
- Avoid plastic supplies especially plastic decorative, tapes etc.
- Put a notice on the entrance or in the premises to prohibit use of single-use plastic items in the premises.
- Introduce waste segregation into different colored bins and waste recycling.

5.0 This opportunity would serve to spread the message of sustainable use of the plastics and help in changing behaviour. The aim of this endeavour is to transform habits and practices to dramatically reduce plastic litter and the harm it causes to our environment.

6.0 Apart from the above, I request you to urge major religious institutions in your state to launch awareness programmes to avoid "Single-use plastic" and partner with NGOs/Civil society to sensitize urban/rural people to follow the concept of 3Rs (refuse, reduce and reuse) for plastic products in their daily uses.

Yours Sincerely,


(Ritesh Kumar Singh)

Shri Aditya Prasad Padhi
Chief Secretary
Govt. of Odisha, Odisha Secretariat,
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