

Meeting minutes of the District Environmental Plan, Pudukkottai District  
Present: Mrs. P. Uma Maheswari I.A.S.,

Rc. No. 4499/2019/v2(Dev)

Date: 27.02.2020

The periodical meeting to review the progress of the execution of 7 thematic areas as stated in the District Environmental plan was conducted under the chairmanship of the District Collector on 25.02.2020, 11:30 a.m. at the Collectorate mini meeting hall.

The following members attended the meeting.

1. Joint Director/ Project Director, District Rural Development Agency, Pudukkottai.
2. Personal Assistant (Development) to Collector, Pudukkottai
3. District Environmental Engineer, TNPCB, Pudukkottai
4. Revenue Divisional Officer, Pudukkottai
5. Municipal Commissioners, Pudukkottai and Aranthangi
6. Assistant Director (Town Panchayats), Pudukkottai and All Executive Officers of Town Panchayats
7. Assistant Director (Panchayats), Pudukkottai.
8. Deputy Director (Health), Pudukkottai and Aranthangi.
9. Joint Director (Animal Husbandry), Pudukkottai.
10. Deputy Director (Geology and Mining), Pudukkottai.
11. General Manager, District Industry Center, Pudukkottai

The following members viz., District Revenue Officer, Regional Director of Municipal Administration, Pudukkottai, Joint Director (Health) and Executive Engineer (PWD WRO) have not participated in the meeting.

The following points were discussed during the meeting.

The Project Director (DRDA) welcomes the gathering. After introduction by everyone, the orders and directions of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal were summarized and the 18 evaluation indicators were briefly explained. District Environmental Engineer has been invited to elucidate the rules and acts in this regard to handle the wastes in this district effectively.

The District Environmental Engineer, TNPCB, Pudukkottai explained the transformation of Environmental Plan 1986 into Municipal Solid Waste Management, and explained the key points of various Integrated Waste Management Rules 2016 for implementing the act as follows.

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## 1. Solid Waste Management Rules 2016

- I. Local body administrators should earmark a location where material recovery facilities, waste storage facilities should be set up. In addition, enable the public to use green, white, and black color coded bins to store bio-degradable waste, recyclable waste (iron, plastic, glass) and other wastes respectively.
- II. Local body administrators should ensure the safety of waste collection, transfer and storage. Sanitary workers and waste pickers should be trained in this regard in order to handle the waste effectively.
- III. Bulk waste generated public areas such as parks, gardens should have the facilities such as MCC (Micro Compost Center) to recycle the waste produced in that area.
- IV. Local bodies that generate > 5MT of daily waste collection should obtain environmental clearance from the Pollution Control Board to their storage facilities, such as Segregation Shed, Compost Yard. In Pudukkottai district, Pudukkottai and Aranthangi Municipality manage the daily wastes capacity of >5MT and have obtained the quality clearances from Pollution Control Board.
- V. In order to raise awareness among the public about the Solid Waste Management rules 2016, Special Task Force has been constituted in each district. Monthly review meetings at the district level should be conducted and report about the activities to the State Government, which in turn conducts quarterly review meeting and furnish the state level report to the Tribunal. Also, Urban Local body administrators are instructed to furnish the annual report to the Commissioner of Municipal administration.

The District Collector inculcated the local body administrators to take stringent action to comply with Solid Waste Management Rules 2016 in the Pudukkottai district. By referring the dumping of garbages near Thiruvappur, Local body administrators were called upon to file a police complaint against the polluter(s) and were instructed to take immediate actions to dispose the wastes.

Further, the District Collector has advised to identify an ambassador at block level to prevent dumping of wastes. In order to attain the rank of "Thooimai Pudugai" and promote public participation, District Collector has proposed to offer Rs.500/- from district administration fund to the individual who claims with relevant evidence and photograph about the polluters. And, it was advised that this be published in the daily news paper.

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Despite carried out several awareness programmes and issuing notices, if the individual or group violates the rules, it was advised that local body administrators form a by-law to impose penalties on polluters.

## **2. Hazardous Waste Management Rules 2016**

- I. Hazardous wastes are solid wastes that are generated by the industries, which are taken care by Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.
- II. Local body administrators were instructed to file a Police Compliant or report to Pollution Control Board, if any industry wastes dumped into domestic solid wastes or thrown outside the industry.

## **3. Bio-Medical Waste Management rules 2016**

- I. All the wastes generated from any Health Care Facilities includes Hospitals, Clinics, Medical Institutions, Veterinary Institutions, Labs, etc are called Bio-Medical Wastes.
- II. Bio-Medical wastes can be further divided into Infectious Bio-Medical Waste (Blood, used Cotton, Needles, etc) and Non-Infectious Bio-Medical Waste (Saline tubes, bottles, etc). Both Infectious and Non-Infectious Bio-Medical Wastes should be treated separately and should not mix with domestic solid wastes.
- III. Local body administrators were advised to monitor the treatment of Bio-Medical wastes, and were instructed to take stringent actions to violators.

## **4. Construction and Demolition(C&D) Waste Management rules 2016**

- I. >20 tonne of C&D waste generators should obtain permission from the concerned local body administrators.
- II. Local body administrators should earmark a low lying area to store and dispose the C&D waste safely. C&D waste generators should bear the cost of the treatment of the C&D waste generated by them.

## **5. Plastic Waste Management rules 2016**

- I. As per the rules, >50 micron plastic items is permitted for manufacturing and usages, but as per the Tamil Nadu Government Order, 14 types of one-time-and-throw plastic items were banned since 1.1.2019.
- II. Local administrators should continuously monitor the usage of banned plastic in order to completely eradicate them from the district.
- III. Local body administrators should earmark a location to setup a facility to store and dispose the plastic wastes.

## **6. E Waste Management rules 2016**

- I. Both Electrical and Electronic wastes are called as E Wastes. It should be handled separately and should not be dumped into solid wastes or compost yard.
- II. Local body administrators should earmark a location for storing e wastes and send to CPCB/SPCB authorized dismantler, refurbisher and recyclers for the treatment of e wastes.
- III. It was updated as the Pudukkottai and Aranthangi municipalities have signed a MoU with Leela traders, Chennai to dispose E-Waste. Executive Officers of Town Panchayats were instructed to tie-up with Municipalities and dispose the e-wastes in proper manner.

### **Solid Waste Management at Rural area:**

According to Hon'ble National Green Tribunal orders, three model villages in each district must be formed to comply 100% with the Solid Waste Management Rules 2016 within six months from the date of the judgment. And in another one year, it should be implemented in all the villages

In this regard, the villages viz. 9B Nathampennai, Onangudi, and Sithanavalal are selected in Pudukkottai district to comply with the rules. 3 AEE's are engaged to supervise these activities.

Further, It was updated as Thooimai Kavalars are engaged for every 150 houses in rural area's to collect door to door wastes; waste collection vehicles are allotted for every 300 houses; segregation shed has been established in all village panchayats;

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Local Body officials have been directed to tie-up with third party institutions to raise public awareness of Solid Waste Management Rules 2016.

**Sand Mining:**

Deputy Director of Geology and Mining updated that the task force at Taluk level was set up to prevent sand mining and other natural resources. He was instructed to identify the illegal minings and furnish the report on it.


**General:**

By explaining every 18 evaluation indicators viz. door to door collection, source segregation, litter bins, etc., and by quoting the Chief Secretary as respondent to appear in-person in tribunal to report compliance status of the State, shown the importance of Solid Waste Management and Local body official have been instructed to take strict measures to comply with Solid Waste Management Rules 2016.

All the members were invited to provide suggestions for the improvement of District Environmental Plan for sustainable environmental protection. With this, the meeting was concluded.

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