

Collectorate (Development),
Salem District.

MEETING MINUTES

Roc. No. 20556/2019/y1

Dated. 06.11.2019

Sub: One time using Plastic Extermination – Meeting Conducted – Meeting Minutes forwarded for necessary action – Regarding.

Ref : Instructions issued during the meeting conducted on dated.30.10.2019

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A meeting has been conducted on 30.10.2019 at 12.00 Noon at the Grievance Meeting Hall, Collectorate, Salem District by the District Collector, Salem District with the following officials on exterminating of one time usable plastic.

- 1) District Revenue Officer, Salem District
- 2) Project Director, District Rural Development Agency, Salem District
- 3) All Revenue Divisional Officers, Salem District
- 4) Joint Director (Health Services), Salem District
- 5) Deputy Director(Health Services), Salem District
- 6) Assistant Director (Health Services), Salem District
- 7) Chief Engineer, Salem Corporation, Salem
- 8) Assistant Director (Town Panchayats), Salem District
- 9) Assistant Director (Panchayats), Salem District
- 10) All Block Development Officers, Salem District
- 11) All Executive Officers, Town Panchayats, Salem Zone, Salem District
- 12) Connected other district level officers

The District Collector, Salem District issued the following instructions.


- Based on the announcement of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on the floor of the Tamil Nadu State Assembly on 05.06.2018 under Rule No. 110, the Government of Tamil Nadu banned the use of one time usable Plastic with effect from 01.01.2019 in G. O. Ms. No. 84 Environment and Forests (EC.2) Department dated.25.06.2018, published in Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No. 226 dated.27.06.2018.

- Accordingly, the usage, storage, issue, carrying, distribution and sales of one time usable Plastic has been banned. The local body officials should monitor this during their inspection.
- As a result of the said ban, the following plastic products will be banned come January 1, 2019 and if these plastics are found to be used in Commercial shops, Silk shops, Super Markets, food stalls and other type of shops and organizations, the same has to be recovered and the concerned should be fined.
 - *Food processing and packing plastic used in hotels.
 - *Plastic sheets used for table mats and tablecloths.
 - *Thermocol plates used for serving food.
 - *Plastic coated paper plates.
 - *Plastic bags used for gifting during special occasions.
 - *Plastic coated tumblers used in TASMAC, small vendors, serving coffee, tea, water on occasions.
 - *One-time usable plastic coffee and tea cups used in shops and homes.
 - *Normal plastic made tumblers in commercial use.
 - *Thermocol tumblers and cups.
 - *Plastic coated paper bags which are used in shops for packing products for the buyers.
 - *Water packets selling by small vendors around Tamil Nadu.
 - *Plastic straws used for serving cold drinks, milkshakes in shops, theatres and hotels.
 - *Plastic carry bags used for everyday usage by people.
 - *Plastic printed flags in sale in shops.
- Under section 244 (2-4) of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act 1994, the fine amount may be fixed as detailed.
- If the usage, storage, issue, carrying, distribution and sales of one time usable Plastic has been found with any large establishments, such defaulter may be fined at Rs.25000/- for first time, and at Rs.50000/- for the second time and at Rs.100000/- for the third time.

- If the usage, storage, issue, distribution and sales of one time usable Plastic has been found with Large Commercial establishments, Malls, Silk shops and Super markets, such defaulter may be fined at Rs.10000/- for first time, and at Rs.15000/- for the second time and at Rs.25000/- for the third time.
- If the usage, storage, issue, distribution and sales of one time usable Plastic has been found with Medium Commercial establishments like Grocery shops, medical shops and other small shops, such defaulter may be fined at Rs.1000/- for first time, and at Rs.2000/- for the second time and at Rs.5000/- for the third time.
- If the usage, storage, issue, distribution and sales of one time usable Plastic has been found with Small Commercial Vendors, such defaulter may be fined at Rs.100/- for first time, and at Rs.200/- for the second time and at Rs.500/- for the third time.
- In connection with inspection on the extermination of banned plastic materials, Inspection Teams with Nodal officers in the Assistant Director/Deputy Director cadre has been formed in all Four Zones of Salem Corporation, in all four Municipalities, in all 33 Town Panchayats and in all 20 Panchayat Unions in Salem District. These team officials in coordination with other local body officials should conduct awareness campaign and surprise inspections on the extermination of banned plastic materials.
- The Salem Corporation officials informed that so far 33607 Kgs of Banned plastic materials have been seized alongwith the fine of Rs. 32,81,420/- and 1812 notices has been issued to the defaulters. The action taken by the Salem Corporation on the extermination of banned plastic materials is found to be appreciateable.
- The Municipal officials informed that so far 4097.50 Kgs of Banned plastic materials have been seized alongwith the fine of Rs. 1,17,550/- and 80 notices has been issued to the defaulters. Intensive action to be taken on the extermination of banned plastic materials in all four Municipalities in Salem District.

- The Town Panchayat officials informed that so far 3388.70 Kgs of Banned plastic materials have been seized alongwith the fine of Rs. 3,06,200/- and 4232 notices has been issued to the defaulters. Intensive action to be taken on the extermination of banned plastic materials in all 33 Town Panchayats in Salem District.
- The Assistant Director (Panchayats), Salem District informed that so far 1582.412 Kgs of Banned plastic materials have been seized alongwith the fine of Rs. 4,150/- and 5773 notices has been issued to the defaulters. Intensive action to be taken on the extermination of banned plastic materials in all 385 Panchayats in 20 Panchayat Unions in Salem District by effectively involving all Zonal Deputy Block Development Officers with the respective Panchayat Secretaries.
- The Project Director, DRDA, Salem has informed that plastic waste Free campaign (Swachhata Hi Seva 2019) from 11th September to 27th October 2019 was conducted in salem district in which the people to create awareness amongst rural and urban population to discourage using “Single Use Plastic”. Under the Campaign, competitions such as Drawing, painting, Essay Writing, Oratorical contest, Quiz competitions for the school children studying in panchayat union schools and Government schools located in rural areas and also plastic waste collection centers was established in school/colleges premises to encourage the collection of plastic waste.
- The Project Officer (MT), Salem District has informed that so far 1,25,481 Kgs Plastic wastes has been collected in the PLF functioning at Nilavarapatty Panchayat in Panamarathupatty Panchayat Union, out of which 1,24,239 Kgs Plastic wastes has been shredded and till now Rs.30,27,846/- has been earned on the sales of the shredded Plastic wastes used for laying plastic roads in Salem District. It is instructed to improve this activity.
- Instructions given to use Bio degradable bags made of Sago instead of banned plastic bags.

- In order to comply with the directions of the Honble National Green Tribunal, TNPCB issued the following directions under section 5 of the Environment(Protection) Act, 1986. All Local Bodies shall ensure that e-waste pertaining to orphan products is collected and channelized to authorised dismantler or recycler. e-waste mixed with solid waste shall be segregated and sent to authorised dismantler or recycler. Informal trading, dismantling and recycling of e-waste shall be identified and action shall be initiated to close their activities.
- Finally all the local body officials has been instructed to intensively act in achieving the Tamil Nadu state as free from plastics.


District Collector,
Salem District.

To
commissioner, salem corporation
Regional Director of Municipal Administration, Salem Region.
Assistant Director(Town panchayat), Salem Region
Assistant Director(Pts), Salem District.
All Zonal officers, Salem District.

Handwritten notes:
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- 1) District Revenue officer, Salem
- 2) Project Director, DRDA, Salem
- 3) District Environment Engineering, TNPCB, salem.