

No. RDO/3036/20

Date: 20th July, 2020

ORDER

MHRD, Department of Higher Education, Technical Section, GoI vide its memo. no. F.No.33-3/2020-TS.III dated 12 March 2020 (copy enclosed) has informed and requested for taking appropriate action regarding eliminating the using of single use or short life PVC flex, banners and posters in all Government institutions and offices in persuasion of letter no. M.11018/02/2020-CDN. MHRD, Department of Higher Education, CDN Section, GoI dated 2nd March 2020 and D.O letter no.17/1/2017-HSMD dated 13th February 2020 issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, GoI.

In the above mentioned D.O. dated 13.02.2020 it is pointed out that 'Single use or short life PVC flex for boards or posters being indiscriminately used in Governmental institutions and offices for short term advertisement and other purposes. Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC), a plastic polymer is a non-biodegradable material and if burned, releases toxic fumes such as dioxins, furans etc. The harmful toxins may get bio-accumulated in the food chain of ecosystems causing a serious hazard to human health and environment.'

In the above mentioned DO it is further pointed out that 'In order to combat plastic pollution, reduction of use of avoidable plastics is necessary. Therefore, use of single use or short life PVC flex for banners and posters in government offices or its functions should be strictly avoided. Alternatives such as cloth banners, light weight textile fabrics, wrinkle resistant wrap knit, natural-fibre based sandwich boards, resin-infused paper, particle boards etc. can be used. Such step will help strengthen our national resolve to combat plastic pollution on the country.'

In the above context and to curb single use plastic and phase out its use by 2022, the Institute has decided that henceforth there shall be no use of single use or short life PVC flex, banners and posters anywhere within the campus. Instead alternative materials as mentioned above can be used for banners and posters for short term advertisement and other purposes with the approval of the authority.

This is issued with approval of the competent authority.

Sd/-

(Biman Bnadyopadhyay)

Registrar

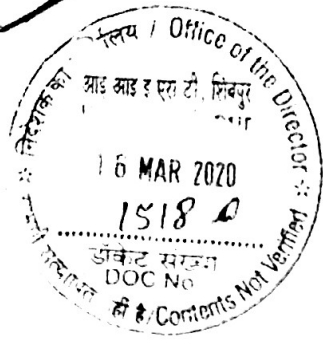
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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. Private Secretary to the Director
2. All Deans/Heads of the Departments/Schools/Centres/All Officers
3. Institute Website

(Biman Bandyopadhyay)

Registrar



Office of Dean (P&D)
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F.No.33-3/2020-TS.III
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
Technical Section-III

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 12 March, 2020

To

The Director
All National Institute of Technology (NITs) and IIST Shibpur

Subject: Avoiding of Single use or short life PVC flex for banners and posters in Govt. offices or its functions-reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of CDN Section's letter No. M. 11018/02/2020-CDN dated 2nd March 2020 forwarding therewith a copy of Secretary, M/o Environment, Forest and Climate Change D.O letter No. 17/1/2017-HSMD dated 13th February, 2020 on the above mentioned subject for information and appropriate action.

Encl.: As above

Yours faithfully,

Kumar
12/3/2020

(Pawan Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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In strict confidence.
16-03-2020


F. No. M.11018/02/2020-CDN
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
CDN Section

229, C Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 2nd March, 2020

Subject: Avoiding of single use or short life PVC flex for banners and posters in Govt. offices or its functions-reg.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of D.O. Letter No. 17/1/2017-HSMD dated 13th February, 2020 received from M/o Environment, Forest and Climate Change on the above subject. It has been requested to eliminate the use of single use or short life PVC flex, banners and posters in all Government institutions and offices.

2. All Bureaus are requested to take necessary action in this regard.


(M.K. Meena)
Deputy Secretary (CDN)
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पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय
SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

D.O. No. 17/1/2017-HSMD

Dated: 13th February, 2020

Dear Secretary,

At the outset, I would like to appreciate the efforts made by you and your team towards achieving a cleaner, greener and safe environment. As you are aware, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has notified the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 (PWMR, 2016) to manage plastic waste in an environmentally sound manner throughout their life cycle. Several States and UTs have implemented regulations supplementing PWMR, 2016 to ensure effective management of plastic waste.

In continuance of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's call to curb single use plastic and phase out its use by 2022, I would like to draw your attention to Single use or short life PVC flex boards or posters being indiscriminately used in governmental institutions and offices for short term advertisement and other purposes. Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC), a plastic polymer, is a non-biodegradable material and if burned, releases toxic fumes such as dioxins, furans etc. The harmful toxins may get bio-accumulated in the food chain of ecosystems causing a serious hazard to human health and environment.

In order to combat plastic pollution, reduction in use of avoidable plastics is necessary. Therefore, use of single use or short life PVC flex for banners and posters in government offices or its functions should be strictly avoided. Alternatives such as cloth banners, light weight textile fabrics, wrinkle resistant wrap knit, natural-fibre based sandwich boards, resin - infused paper, particle boards etc. can be used. Such a step will help strengthen our national resolve to combat plastic pollution on the country.

I take this opportunity to reiterate the need for eliminating the use of Single use or short life PVC flex, banners and posters in all Government institutions and offices.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

[C. K. Mishra]

Secretaries to the Government of India
[All Departments / Ministries]