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PUBLIC NOTICE

In pursuance to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's Directives in order date 31-07-2017 in WP (s) (C) No.(s) 728/2015 it is hereby publicised that all concerns are requested to comply with these directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

- i) The manufacture, sale or use of firecrackers generating noise level exceeding 125 dB (A) or 145 dB (C) pK at 4 meters distance from the point of bursting shall be prohibited.
- ii) For individual firecrackers constituting the series (joined firecrackers), the above mentioned limit would be reduced by 5 log 10 (N) dB, where N-number of crackers joined together.
- iii) All dealers, retailers, sellers of firecrackers should ensure that the firecrackers circulated in the market comply with the guidelines fixed by Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO) as per the chemical formulae mentioned in the organisation's website "<http://peso.gov.in>" regarding firecrackers imported/manufactured in the country and the details of chemical content shall be mentioned on the box of each firecracker.
- iv) The public at large must purchase only the firecrackers that inform the chemical content of the cracker on the cover box.
- v) Crackers producing noise should not be burst between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- vi) Wear earplugs when going to fireworks exhibits. Earplugs properly worn, can reduce noise by 15 to 30 decibels
- vii) Apart from the air and noise pollution, the streets are littered with paper. Organize Neighborhood Clean-up programs or events to keep our environment clean, green and healthy.

Member Secretary
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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force(HOFF), Meghalaya for favour of kind information
2. The Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Forests & Environment Deptt.for kind information
3. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya for publication in the official Gazette.
4. The Director, Information & Public Relations, Meghalaya, Shillong for publication as Press Release in all the English and the Vernacular dailies.
5. Website of the Board.

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