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PUBLIC NOTICE

In pursuance to the order of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkatta O.A No.158/2016/EZ dtd 03rd October, 2017 it is hereby publicised that all concerns and drivers in particular are requested to be aware on the health hazards caused by noise pollution.

- 1) Noise is unwanted sound and causes annoyance and displeasure.
- 2) Noise is a nuisance that is detrimental to the overall physical and mental health and wellbeing of a person.
- 3) Noise disturbs the peace and tranquillity of a place or locality.
- 4) Noise causes disturbance especially in and around hospitals, educational institutions and courts.
- 5) Noise during the night time, especially from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., disturbs rest and sleep.
- 6) Noise interferes with communication and work performance.
- 7) Noise causes stress and has adverse effects on the cardiovascular system of the body.
- 8) Noise causes temporary loss of hearing and under long duration of exposure, even permanent loss of hearing.
- 9) Noise from pressure horns has severe impact on human health not only physically but psychologically as well.
- 10) The frequent exposure to pressure horns can cause hearing disabilities or permanent damage to tympanic membrane (ear drum).
- 11) Pressure horns responsible for stress, anxiety, high blood pressure and hypertension. It is a source of irritation and restlessness especially for senior citizens and patients.
- 12) The different mode of transportation such as motor-cars, buses etc. produces sound which disturbs the human health.

As a concerned citizen, one needs to have the responsibility to prevent and control noise pollution emanating from automobile silencer, audio music system, pressure horn use of loudspeaker, bursting of crackers etc.

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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, Information & Public Relations, Meghalaya, Shillong for publication as Press Release in all the English and the Vernacular dailies.
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