

# Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board

Forests & Environment Department, Government of Meghalaya

'ARDEN' Lumpynggad, Shillong - 793014

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No.MSPCB/TB-7(C)/2024/Pt-II/2025-26 /113

Dated Shillong 19<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2026

## PROHIBITORY ORDER

Whereas, as per the Inspection carried on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 by Board's official of MSPCB it was observed that, a large-scale disposal on discharge of liquid and solid waste by unknown Person(s) / Shops/ Establishment directly into **Rongkon, Ringre and Gandrak** Streams, West Garo Hills District, Tura.

Whereas such activities cause disposal of polluting matter to the Streams/ River making it unfit for human consumption and aquatic lives as well.

Now, therefore, the Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board in exercise of powers conferred upon it under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act 1981 do hereby direct –

### Prohibition on use of stream or well for disposal of polluting matter, etc. along the catchment/ tributaries of Rongkon, Ringre and Gandrak Streams etc.

1. Rule 4 sub-Rule 2 of Solid waste Management Rule, 2016, prohibited waste generator from throwing, burning or burying the solid waste generated by him, on streets, open public spaces outside his premises or in the drain or water bodies.
2. Rule 15(G) of Solid waste Management Rule, 2016, directed the waste generators not to litter i.e. throw or dispose of any waste such as paper, water bottles, liquor bottles, soft drink cans, tetra packs, fruit peel, wrappers, etc., or burn or burry waste on streets, open public spaces, drains, waste bodies and to segregate the waste at source as prescribed under these rules and hand over the segregated waste to authorised the waste pickers or waste collectors authorised by the local body;
3. Rule 15(K) of Solid waste Management Rule, 2016, directed street sweepers not to burn tree leaves collected from street sweeping and store them separately and handover to the waste collectors or agency authorised by local body;
4. All local authorities/ bodies (included the Municipal corporation, nagar nigam, municipal council, nagarpalika, nagar palikaparishad municipal board, nagar panchayat and town panchayat, census town, notified areas and notified industrial township with whatever name are called in different States) shall ensure compliance to the provision of the Solid waste Management Rule, 2016 and orders/judgement passed by the National Green Tribunal (NGT) on the subject matter.
5. Section 24 1(a) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 prohibit on use of stream or well for disposal of polluting matter, etc. subject to the provision of this section that no person shall knowingly cause or permit any poisonous, noxious or polluting matter determined in accordance with such standards as may be laid down by the State Board to enter (whether directly or indirectly) into any 3 [stream or well or sewer or on land];
6. Section 24 1(b) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 prohibit on use of stream or well for disposal of polluting matter, etc. subject to the provision of this section that no person shall knowingly cause or permit to enter into any stream any other matter which may tend, either directly

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*or in combination with similar matters, to impede the proper flow of the water of the stream in a manner leading or likely to lead to a substantial aggravation of pollution due to other causes or of its consequences*

7. Section 43 of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 penalty for contravention of provisions of section 24 that whoever contravenes the provisions of section 24 shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than (one year and six months) but which may extend to six years and with fine.

In view of the above, violators of this order shall be penalized as per above provisions.

(Dr. G. H. CHYRMANG, MFS)  
MEMBER SECRETARY

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Copy to: -

1. The Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills District, Tura for kind information and with a request to promulgate Prohibitory as applicable.
2. The Tura Municipal Board, Tura, West Garo Hills District, Meghalaya for kind information and necessary action.
3. The Secretary, Executive Committee, Garo Hills Autonomous District Council, Tura, West Garo Hills District, Meghalaya for kind information and necessary action.
4. Town Planning Officer, Meghalaya Urban Development Authority, Tura, West Garo Hills District, Meghalaya for kind information and necessary action.
5. The Editor, The Shillong Times (Garo Hills Edition), with a request to kindly publish this Public Notice in 1(one) issue of your esteemed daily and to submit your Bill in duplicate for necessary payment.
6. Official Website of the Board.

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