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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS DEPARTMENT

110 ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER ON THE FLOOR OF THE ASSEMBLY ON 05-06-2018 REGARDING BAN ON ONE-TIME USE AND THROWAWAY PLASTICS IRRESPECTIVE OF THICKNESS WITH EFFECT FROM 01-01-2019 UNDER THE ENVIRONMENT (PROTECTION) ACT, 1986.

AMENDMENT TO NOTIFICATION

[G.O.Ms.No.37, Environment and Forests (EC.2), 5th June 2020, வைகாசி 23, சார்வரி, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு–2051.]

No.II(1)/EF/8(i)/2020.

WHEREAS, an Extraordinary Gazette Notification dated 27-06-2018 in No.II(1)/EF/13(f)/2018 has been published imposing ban on manufacture, storage, supply, sale and use of 'use and throwaway plastics, such as plastic sheets used for food wrapping, spreading on dining table etc., plastic plates, plastic coated tea cups and plastic tumbler, water pouches and packets, plastic straw, plastic carry bag and plastic flags irrespective of thickness with effect from 01-01-2019.

AND WHEREAS, Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its order dated 27-12-2018 in Writ Petition No. 34065 of 2018 has ordered that the Government shall consider phasing out of plastic of any kind in the market including the plastic that have been referred to in proviso to Directions 1(b) of the aforesaid Government order before the end of 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (Central Act 29 of 1986) read with Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests Notification No.S.O.152(E), dated 10th February, 1988, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the directions issued in the Environment and Forests Department's Notification No.II(1)/EF/13(f)/2018, published at pages 1 and 2 of the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette* Extraordinary, dated the 27th June 2018.

2. These amendments shall come into force on the 5th June, 2020.

AMENDMENTS.

In the said Directions, -

- (1) in the proviso under direction 1, item (b) shall be omitted;
- (2) after direction 2 and before Explanation 1, the following direction shall be inserted, namely:-

"3. Alternatives to the use and throwaway plastics other than compostable plastics shall be examined and tested by the Central Institute of Plastic Engineering and Technology (CIPET) and necessary approval or consent shall be obtained from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board".

SHAMBHU KALLOLIKAR, Principal Secretary to Government.