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PUBLIC NOTICE

ATTENTION: All Manufacturers, Importers, Stockists, Distributors, Sellers and Users of plastic carry bags are hereby informed that the compliance with the following provisions of Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021, be ensured forthwith:

- I. Thickness of petro based plastic carry bags/films shall not be less than seventy five microns ($> 75 \mu$)
- II. With effect from the 31st December, 2022 the thickness shall not be less than one hundred and twenty ($> 120 \mu$) microns;
- III. Non-woven plastic carry bag shall not be less than Sixty Gram per Square Meter ($> 60 \text{ GSM}$);
- IV. The manufacture, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of following single use plastic, including polystyrene and expanded polystyrene commodities shall be prohibited with effect from the 1st July, 2022 –
 - a) Ear buds with plastic sticks, plastic sticks for balloons, plastic flags, candy sticks, ice-cream sticks, polystyrene (Thermocol) for decoration;
 - b) Plates, cups, glasses, cutlery such as forks, spoons, knives, straw, trays, wrapping or packing films around sweet boxes, invitation cards, and cigarette packets, plastic or PVC banners less than 100 micron, stirrers.
 - c) The provisions of the amended rules shall not apply to commodities made of compostable plastic.


Member Secretary

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Shillong