



**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
WEST JAINTIA HILLS DISTRICT:::MEGHALAYA**

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PROHIBITORY ORDER

(Dated Jowai, the 19th August, 2026)

No. GEN/TOUR-308/92/Pt.I/2024/365: - Whereas a communication has been received from the Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Tourism Department, regarding the increasing incidence of roadside cooking, littering, indiscriminate disposal of waste, and related activities at tourist destinations, roadways, and public places;

And whereas, such activities cause environment degradation, public nuisance, sanitation and public health concerns, traffic obstruction, fire hazards, and adversely affect the image of Meghalaya as a responsible tourism destinations;

And whereas, I am satisfied that immediate preventive measures are necessary to protect public safety, maintain cleanliness, preserve the environment, and prevent further public nuisance;

Now, therefore, I, Shri. Abhinav Kumar Singh, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai, hereby prohibit the following throughout the notified tourist destinations, roadways, viewpoints, and public places in West Jaintia Hills District: -

1. Roadside cooking, including the use of firewood, charcoal, LPG cylinders, or any other fuel on road shoulders, viewpoints, and public places.
2. Littering and throwing of plastic, food waste, bottles, cans, packaging materials, or any other garbage.
3. Indiscriminate disposal or dumping of solid or liquid waste in public places, forests, water bodies, drains, or roadside areas.

This Order shall come into force with immediate effect and remain in force until further orders.

Issued in the interest of public safety, environmental protection, cleanliness and preservation of the scenic beauty of West Jaintia Hills District.

Sd/-
Deputy Commissioner
West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai