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**GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY**  
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Puducherry, the

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✓ As per list enclosed.

Sir,

Sub: Minutes of Meeting of the District Environment Committee (DEC) of Puducherry District held under the Chairmanship of the District Magistrate on 20.12.2022 at 05.00 PM – Reg.

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Minutes of Meeting of the District Environment Committee of Puducherry district held under the Chairmanship of the District Magistrate on 20.12.2022 at 05.00 PM in the Conference Hall of the Collectorate is enclosed herewith for kind information and ensuring compliance of the decision taken in the said meeting.

Yours sincerely,



**(Dr. N. Ramesh)**  
**Member Secretary - PPCC**

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1. The P.S. to Chief Secretary, Chief Secretariat, Puducherry - For kind information of the Chief Secretary
2. The P.S. to District Collector, Puducherry - For kind information of the District Collector

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**List of Addressees**

- 1) The Deputy Collector (Revenue) North, Puducherry.
- 2) Deputy Collector (Revenue) South, Villianur, Puducherry.
- 3) The Superintending Engineer, Circle - I, PWD, Puducherry.
- 4) The Senior Environmental Engineer, DSTE/ PPCC, Puducherry.
- 5) The Superintendent of Police (Traffic), Puducherry.
- 6) The Senior Town Planner, Town & Country Planning Dept., Puducherry.
- 7) The Executive Engineer (Public Health), PWD, Puducherry.
- 8) The Executive Engineer (Irrigation), PWD, Puducherry.
- 9) The Deputy Director, LAD, Puducherry.
- 10) The Commissioner, Puducherry Municipality, Puducherry.
- 11) The Commissioner, Oulgaret Municipality, Puducherry.
- 12) The Commissioner, Mahe Municipality, Puducherry.
- 13) The Commissioner, Yanam Municipality, Puducherry.
- 14) The Commissioner, Ariyankuppam Commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
- 15) The Commissioner, Bahour Commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
- 16) The Commissioner, Mannadipet Commune Panchayat,,Puducherry.
- 17) The Commissioner, Nettapakkam Commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
- 18) The Commissioner, Villanur Commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
- 19) The Project Officer, DRDA, Puducherry.
- 20) The Deputy Director, Department of Industries & Commerce, Puducherry.
- 21) The Deputy Director (Public Health), Department of Health and Family Welfare Services, Puducherry.
- 22) The Deputy Director (Forests), Department of Forests and Wildlife, Puducherry.
- 23) The Inspector of Factories, Department of Labour, Gandhi Nagar, Puducherry.
- 24) The Hydrogeologist, State Ground Water Unit, Agriculture Department, Puducherry.
- 25) The Member Secretary, Puducherry State Ground Water Authority, Karamanikuppam, Puducherry

**Minutes of the Meeting of the District Environment Committee of Puducherry District  
held on 20.12.2022 in the Conference Hall, Collectorate, Puducherry**

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The first meeting of the District Environment Committee (DEC) of Puducherry District constituted vide order No. 9821/DRDM/B3/NGT/2022 dated 13.12.2022 was held under the Chairmanship of the District Magistrate on 20.12.2022 at 05.00 PM in the Conference Hall of Collectorate, Puducherry to discuss the environment issues at the district level and review the progress in implementation of the District Environment Plan. The list of participants is placed in Annexure I.

At the outset the of the meeting the Member Secretary, DEC welcomed the Chairman and Members of the Committee and made a brief presentation on the District Environment Plan (DEP) for Puducherry District.

After this, the District Magistrate reviewed the implementation status of various action points identified under the DEP with the local bodies and other line departments / agencies in detail as under.

**I. Review of implementation of District Environment Plan**

**A. Solid Waste Management:**

1. The District Magistrate reviewed the status of implementation of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 and instructed the officials of the local bodies to monitor the works on proper collection and segregation of solid wastes in compliance with the provisions of the rules.
2. **Source Segregation:** The District Magistrate instructed the Commissioners of all Municipalities and Commune Panchayats to submit a proposal for implementation of 100% source segregation within their respective jurisdiction covering infrastructure requirement, policy / incentive measures, public participation, awareness programs, etc., within two months.
3. **Domestic Hazardous Wastes:**  
As per SWM Rules, 2016, the local bodies shall establish waste deposition centres for domestic hazardous waste like discarded paint drums, pesticide cans, CFL bulbs, tube lights, expired medicines, broken mercury thermometers, used batteries, used needles and syringes and contaminated gauge, etc., generated at the household level and shall ensure safe storage and disposal of the domestic hazardous waste to the authorized

hazardous waste disposal facility. Three domestic hazardous wastes deposition centers have been established by ULBs - one each in the RRP at Puducherry, Mahe and Yanam region. The collected waste is sent to authorized agencies for disposal. Other Communes are yet to establish HW Deposition centers. The District Magistrate instructed the Commissioners to setup adequate number of Deposition Centers in each Municipality / Commune Panchayat and establish proper linkage / agreements with the authorized Hazardous Waste / Bio Medical Waste Disposal Facilities and E-waste collection centers for safe disposal.

4. **Bulk Waste Generators:** The District Magistrate instructed the Commissioners of all Municipalities and Commune Panchayats to submit a comprehensive list of bulk waste generators within their jurisdiction covering buildings occupied by the Central government departments or undertakings, State government departments or undertakings, local bodies, public sector undertakings or private companies, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, colleges, universities, other educational institutions, hostels, hotels, commercial establishments, markets, places of worship, stadia and sports complexes having an average waste generation rate exceeding 100 kg per day. The inventory shall be prepared by the local bodies within one month. The District Magistrate further instructed that PPCC and local bodies shall issue directions to all the identified Bulk Waste Generators to ensure segregation of waste at source as prescribed in the SWM Rules, handover recyclable material to either the authorised waste pickers or the authorized recyclers and process / dispose bio-degradable waste through composting or bio-methanation within the premises as far as possible.
5. **Processing of wastes by local bodies:** Works are being carried out for establishing an Integrated Municipal Solid Waste Processing Plant of 350 TPD capacity at Kurumbapet covering Puducherry & Oulgaret Municipality which includes processing facility for about 210 TPD of wet waste. Requisite funds of Rs. 50.00 Crores have been adequately earmarked under the State budget and SBM for setting up of the processing plant. In Mahe Municipality, in-house composting is being practiced for wet wastes and dry wastes are being sent to MRF located in Pallor. In Yanam Municipality, work order has been awarded to M/s. HR Square LLM, Hyderabad to implement Integrated Solid Waste Management Programme and the firm has commenced door to door collection, transportation and disposal of solid waste. Setting up of processing facility has been started and will be operational in another three to four months. For rural commune panchayats areas, tender has been floated to establish common RRP at Kurumbapet. The District Magistrate instructed LAD and Local Bodies to expedite the setting up of processing plants in a time bound manner and update the progress in the next meeting.

6. **Legacy Waste Disposal:** For disposal of legacy waste accumulated in Kurumbapet, Puducherry, adequate funds have been allocated for biomining and 3.41 lakhs tons of legacy waste has already been removed and the remaining waste will be removed by March 2023. In Yanam about 25306 tons of legacy waste is currently available which will be removed by biomining by April, 2023. The legacy wastes dumped in rural commune panchayats shall be transported to the Kurumbapet dump site where it shall be disposed safely through biomining. The District Collector instructed LAD and Local Bodies to expedite the removal of legacy wastes within the given timeline and update the progress to the committee in next meeting.
7. The Commissioners of all Mahe and Yanam Municipalities shall publish the By-laws for effective implementation of SWM Rules immediately and appraise the status in the next meeting.

**B. Plastic Waste Management:**

1. The urban local bodies are collecting the plastic wastes door to door and segregation and disposal for recycling is being carried out by the SWM agencies. Identification of waste pickers, issue of ID cards and capacity building activities shall be continued by the Municipalities and Commune Panchayats to channelize the plastic wastes to recyclers and uplift the livelihood of waste pickers.
2. All the commissioners of local bodies, revenue officials and PPCC shall ensure that there is no manufacture, stocking and sales of the banned single use plastic items. Regular inspections shall be conducted and stringent action shall be taken against the defaulters.
3. PPCC to ensure that all the Producers / Brand owners of plastic packaging material and their PROs get registered in the EPR portal developed by CPCB for streamlining plastic waste disposal.

**C. C&D Waste Management:**

1. The District Magistrate noted that separate C&D Waste Collection and deposition centre has been established at Truck Terminal, Mettupalaym for ULBs. In commune panchayats C&D waste generated is disposed by the generators directly for filling of low-lying areas. There is no gap in the C&D waste collection and disposal.
2. The District Magistrate instructed the Commissioners of all Municipalities and Commune Panchayats to prepare and publish the By-law on user-fee and permission system for bulk waste generators of C&D waste immediately and appraise the status in the next meeting.

#### **D. Bio Medical Waste Management**

1. The District Magistrate instructed that Health Department and PPCC shall conduct periodical inspection of the Health Care Facilities to ensure that the provisions of Biomedical Waste Rules are fully complied and submit reports to DEC and State Level Advisory Committee on Bio Medical Wastes.
2. The District Magistrate noted that at present 42 Health Care Facilities are using bar coding system for tracking of Bio-medical waste disposal to authorized disposal facility. He instructed PPCC to ensure that all the Health Care Facilities shall follow bar coding system within six months.

#### **E. Hazardous Waste Management**

1. PPCC shall continue to inspect the Hazardous Waste generation and processing industries in the district and ensure that they fully comply with the HWM Rules, 2016.
2. Three domestic hazardous wastes deposition centers have been established by ULBs - one each in the RRP at Oulgaret, Mahe and Yanam Municipalities and obtained HW authorization of PPCC. The District Magistrate instructed that all the other Municipalities and Commune Panchayats shall establish deposition centers and linkage with authorized TSDF facility with due HW authorization from PPCC. The status shall be appraised by the Commissioners in the next meeting.
3. The Labour Department shall inspect the industries regularly and ensure that workers engaged in recycling / pre-processing / disposal of hazardous waste are given proper safety / skill development training and submit report to the DEC.

#### **F. E-waste Management**

1. PPCC has to complete inventory of E-waste / Bulk waste generators and submit copy to District Administration. AEE, PPCC informed that there is no standard methodology available for inventorisation of E-waste and the matter is being pursued with CPCB. The District Magistrate instructed that PPCC shall expedite the preparation of E-waste inventory for the district in consultation with CPCB.
2. Three domestic hazardous wastes deposition centers have been established by ULBs - one each in the RRP at Oulgaret, Mahe and Yanam Municipalities and obtained HW authorization of PPCC. E-wastes are also collected in these centers. The District Magistrate instructed that all the other Municipalities and Commune Panchayats shall establish deposition centers to collect domestic hazardous wastes including E-waste with linkage to authorized E-waste collectors / disposal facilities. Wide awareness shall be spread among the public to deposit the e-wastes in the deposition centers. The status shall be appraised by the Commissioners in the next meeting.

### **G. Other points**

The District Magistrate instructed PPCC to conduct Training Program for the Commissioners and other Officials of the Local Bodies within one month on the roles and responsibilities of local bodies in implementing various environmental acts and rules related to management of Solid Waste, Plastic Wastes, C&D Wastes, Hazardous Waste, etc., to enable them understand the importance of these essential rule and fully comply with implementation of the rules.

### **II. Revision of District Environment Plan**

In compliance to the Order dated 08.02.2022 passed by Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in the matter of O.A. No. 360 of 2018 (PB) filed by Shree Nath Sharma Vs. Union of India & Ors., the District Environment Plan shall be periodically revised and updated preferably as on 31<sup>st</sup> March of every year. The District Magistrate instructed PPCC to update the District Environment Plan in consultation with all line departments / agencies within two months.

### **III. Annual Environment Conference**

Hon'ble National Green Tribunal vide Order dated 08.02.2022 passed in the matter of O.A. No. 360 of 2018 (PB) filed by Shree Nath Sharma Vs. Union of India & Ors., has directed that *"To give impetus to compliance, in addition of having regular monthly meetings of the District Level Committees, it may be necessary to hold an annual conference to be presided over by the District Magistrates with the involvement of Educational Institutions, Welfare Associations, Local Bodies including Panchayats, Eco-clubs, other concerned Departments and activist identified by the District Administration and nominees of District Legal Services Authorities."* Accordingly, the District Magistrate instructed that the Annual Conference shall be organised by the Puducherry Pollution Control Committee with participation of all relevant stakeholders and their views on the revised District Environment Plan shall be obtained for finalisation of the Plan.



**(E. Vallavan, I.A.S.)**  
**DISTRICT COLLECTOR**



**List of Participants**

**Chaired by:**

Shri. E. Vallavan, I.A.S., District Collector - cum - District Magistrate, Puducherry

**Officials:**

1. Shri. M. Kandasamy, Deputy Collector (North), DRDM, Puducherry.
2. Shri. C. Maran, Superintendent of Police, Puducherry Police, Puducherry.
3. Shri. S. Sridarane, Senior Town Planner, T&CP Department, Puducherry.
4. Shri. K. Kalamegam, Environmental Engineer, DSTE, Puducherry.
5. Shri. R. Radhakrishnan, Executive Engineer (Irrigation), PWD, Puducherry.
6. Shri. G. Karthigeyan, Deputy Director, (Municipal Administration), LAD, Puducherry.
7. Shri. S. Sivakumar, Commissioner, Pondicherry Municipality, Puducherry.
8. Shri. V. Ramesh, Commissioner, Ariyankuppam Commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
9. Shri. R. Cartiqueyane, Commissioner, Bahour commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
10. Shri. V. Ejilerayjane, Commissioner, Manadipet commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
11. Shri. D. Arumugam, Commissioner, Villianur commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
12. Shri. P. Aranganadin, District Functional Manager, DIC, Puducherry.
13. Dr. R. Murali, DD (Public Health), Health & Family Welfare Services Dept., Puducherry.
14. Dr. Manimozhi. S, CMO / SNO, Health & Family Welfare Services Dept., Puducherry.
15. Shri. S. Kumaravelu, Deputy Director, Department of Forest and Wild Life, Puducherry.
16. Shri. R. Murali, Inspector of factories, Labour Department, Puducherry.
17. Dr. B. Thulaseramen, Municipal Health Officer, Pondicherry Municipality, Puducherry.
18. Shri. M. Jaisankar, Municipal Health Officer, Oulgaret Municipality, Puducherry.
19. Smt. R. Sheela, Revenue Officer, DRDM, Puducherry.
20. Shri. C. Vassou, Assistant Engineer, Water Works, PWD, Puducherry.
21. Shri. S. Sammanthane, Assistant Engineer, Irrigation Division, PWD, Puducherry.
22. Shri. K. Malligarjunan, Assistant Engineer, Manadipet commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
23. Shri. P. Nagaradjan, Asst. Engineer, Ariyankuppam Commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
24. Shri. A. Joseph, Assistant manager, Swachatha Corporation, Puducherry.
25. Shri. S. Segar, Junior Engineer, Oulgaret Municipality, Puducherry.
26. Shri. R. Iyappan, Junior Engineer, Nettapakkam commune Panchayat, Puducherry.
27. Smt. J. Selvanayaki, Junior Scientific Assistant, PPCC, Puducherry.
28. Shri. S. Devaanandan, Assistant Environmental Engineer, PPCC, Puducherry.
29. Smt. T. Aruna, Team Leader & Urban Mgt. Expert, AMRUT&SBM, LAD, Puducherry.