



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE
HOJAI :: SRIMANTA SANKARDEV NAGAR
(MAGISTRACY BRANCH)



eCF No. 73317/ 4428

Date: 20th August, 2025

ORDER
(U/S 163 of BNSS)

Whereas, it appears to me that some person are selling and using coloured and ordinary polythene bags and there are increase in number of plastic waste in the District of Hojai.

And Whereas, plastic waste are not biodegradable and harmful to human beings.

And Whereas, the use of plastic damages the roads, reduces the aesthetic beauty of the town and causes overall pollution of environment.

And Whereas, there is every likelihood of plastic waste causing damage to the health of the people in general and also the infertility of the agricultural land.

And Whereas, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has notified an Act under the name Plastics Waste Management Rules, 2016 for management of use, disposal of plastic materials.

And whereas Central Govt. has notified an Act under the name "The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986" to control and regulate the deterioration of Environment due to plastic.

Whereas u/s 5, 6 and 10 of the Environment (Protection) Act 1986 empowers to issue of suitable directions as well as inspection and seize such obnoxious materials.

And Whereas, in my opinion, there is sufficient ground for proceeding under Section 163 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita for preventing sale and use of all kinds of plastic materials.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power U/S 163 of BNSS conferred upon me, I, Sri Bidyut Bikash Bhagawati, ACS, District Magistrate, Hojai, do hereby issue this prohibitory order on circulation of all types of Single Use Plastics in entire Hojai District, following are to be immediately complied with.

1. No person shall manufacture, stock, distribute or sell carry bags made of virgin or recycled polythene bags or compostable plastic which is less than 120 micron in thickness.
2. Sachets using plastic materials shall not be used for storing, packing or selling.
3. Any violation of this prohibitory order will invite penal action u/s 223 of Bharatiya Nyaya Samhita as well as Section 15 of Environment (Protection) Act 1986 as amended.

Owing to the necessity of the situation, this order is passed ex-parte under section 163 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita. However, anyone aggrieved by the order may approach the competent authority for modification/ waiver of the order. This order comes into force with effect. Any violation of this prohibitory order will be punishable U/S 223 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.

Given under my hand & seal on this day.

District Magistrate,
জিলা ম্যাজিস্ট্রেট, হোজাই
District Magistrate, Hojai
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1. The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Home & Political Department.
2. PS to Secretary Coordination, O/o Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind perusal of the Secretary Coordination.
3. The District & Sessions Judge, Hojai.

Copy for information and necessary action to:

1. The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Hojai.