GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA HOME (POLICE) DEPARTMENT

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 12th June, 2018.

NO. HPL.179/2017/86 - In exercise of the power conferred under sub-section (1) of Section 13 read with sub-section (1) of Section 15 and Section 16 of Meghalaya Fire & Emergency Service Act, 2012, (Act No 5 of 2012), the Governor of Meghalaya considers it necessary to adopt measures for prevention of outbreak of fire incident in temporary structures and Pandals.

Now, therefore, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to order for implementation of the Fire Prevention and Safety Measures in Temporary Structures and Pandals in the State as follows:

- (a) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the erectors of pandals shall be deemed to be self-regulator for taking fire prevention and fire safety measures prescribed in the <u>Check List as</u> in Annexure I.
- (b) The erector of pandal shall display at a prominent place in the pandal a declaration in the prescribed Form No. C appended under his own signature and shall also submit the same to the Director of Fire & Emergency Services to the effect that he has taken all the prescribed fire prevention and fire safety measures therein.
- (c) It shall be lawful for the Director or Nominated Authority or any other officer authorized by the State Government in this behalf to enter and inspect the pandal with a view to verify the correctness of the declaration so made by the erector or organizers of such structures and to point out the shortcomings, if any, with direction to remove them or fulfil them within a specified time. If the direction of the inspecting officer is not complied within the time so given, the inspecting officer shall seal the pandal.
- (d). Any erector of a pandal who falsely declares that he has complied with the prescribed fire prevention and fire safety measures in the pandal shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under Section 20 of Meghalaya Fire & Emergency Service Act (Meghalaya Act No 5 of 2012).

Sd/-M.S. Rao Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya Home (Police) Department

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Dated Shillong, the 12th June, 2018.

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- 1. The Principal Secretary to the Governor of Meghalaya.
- 2. Private Secretary to the Chief Minister, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 3. Private Secretary to the Minister, I/c Home (Police) Department.
- 4. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 5. The Director General of Police, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 6. The Additional Director General of Police (F&ES), Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 7. The Deputy Inspector General of Police (F&ES), Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 8. All Deputy Commissioner / Superintendent of Police / Commandant of Police Battalion.
- 9. The Director Printing & Stationery for favour of publication in the Gazette.

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By Order etc.,

Under Secretary to the Covt. of Meghalaya, Home (Police) Department