



# Patnitop Development Authority

Chief Executive Officer

(Executive Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> Class)

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ORDER No 37 -PDA of 2021

Dated: 16 .06.2021

**Subject: Ban on Stocking, Distribution, Sale & Use of Polythene in and around Patnitop.**

Whereas, the Hon'ble High Court of Jammu & Kashmir in OWP No. 159/2002 titled Sayed Tahir Gilani V/s. State & Others has directed for imposing ban on the use of polythene and further Government of J&K vide SRO-45 dated; 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 has imposed ban on manufacturing, stocking, distribution, sale and use of polythene bags of less than 50 microns;

Whereas, District Magistrate Udhampur and District Magistrate Ramban have issued regulatory orders from time to time still the blatant use of polythene is creating environmental hazards, pollution, choking of lanes/drains besides, creating lot of nuisance for the tourists visiting this healthy resort;

Whereas, PDA has launched a cleanliness cum sanitation drive a part of Swachh Bharat Mission to clean the environment of Patnitop and keep the area neat and clean but illegal use of polythene is hampering this work besides, creating health hazards to the visitors & inhabitants and destroying/damaging the healthy and beautiful environment;

Whereas, this act of blatant use of polythene in the environmentally sensitive zone & world famous health resort is creating huge public nuisance and damaging the reputation of the resort as well as Authority/Tourism Department;

Now, therefore in view of the above, and in exercise of powers conferred upon me under Section 133 Cr. PC, I Sher Singh, KAS, Chief Executive Officer, Patnitop Development Authority (Executive Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> Class) do hereby impose complete ban on stocking, distribution, sale & use of polythene bags which is less than 50 micron in the Patnitop, Kud, Sudhmahadev and Mantalai with immediate effect;

Station House Officer, Police Station, Kud/Batote shall get this order implemented in letter

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Khilafwarzi Wing of PDA, Officer(s)/Officials of DFO Batote & Forest Protection Force Batote shall conduct special drive on regular basis with concerned Police Authorities to make Patnitop Polythene free. Special checking shall be done at all entry points & also in the parks and entire forest area. DFO Udhampur shall also deploy sufficient manpower to check this menace.

Engineering wing of PDA shall arrange & install Signages thereby clearly depicting "Carriage & Use of Polythene is Banned". Fine of Rs. 1000.00 shall be recovered from the violators into effect with immediate.

Khilafwarzi Wing of PDA shall also give vide publicity by making announcement through loud speakers continuously for two weeks and also shall get this order implemented in letter and spirit.

Since this order has been directed against the public & visiting tourists in general, prior individual notices or preliminary order(s) are dispensed with in view of the urgency and sensitiveness of the matter. However, the District Information Officer, Udhampur shall give vide publicity through electronic and print media immediately.

Issued under my Seal and Signatures today on 16.06.2021.

(Sher Singh), KAS  
(Executive Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> Class)  
Chief Executive Officer  
PDA, Kud

Dated: 16.06.2021

No. PDA/Adm-115/194-204

Copy to the:

1. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu for kind information.
2. Secretary to Govt., Tourism Department, for favour of kind information.
3. District Magistrate Udhampur/Ramban for kind information.
4. Senior Superintendent of Police Udhampur/Ramban for information.
5. Divisional Forest Officer, Batote for information & n/a.
6. DFO, Forest Protection Force, Batote for information & n/a.
7. District Information Officer, Udhampur for information & n/a.
8. Executive Engineer, PDA for information & n/a.
9. Accounts Officer, PDA for information & n/a.
10. SHO Kud/Batote for information & n/a.
11. Khilafwarzi Wing, PDA for information & n/a.