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ORDER

Whereas, National Green Tribunal vide its orders dated 14.07.2022 passed in OA 519/2016 titled as, "Hardeep Singh & Ors. Versus SDMC & Ors.", regarding Noise Pollution in Delhi, has passed certain directions for controlling environment pollution. The Tribunal further directed that the government should take noise pollution at par with air pollution. Whenever there is any plan to curb air pollution, similar plans must be made to mitigate noise pollution. In addition, the Hon'ble Tribunal further directed to hold a meeting and issue appropriate statutory/ administrative order in the light of the Report, identifying accountable authority/ authorities for the steps to be taken for noise pollution control.

And whereas, Delhi Pollution Control Committee has also fixed compensation to be paid for violation in term of the Section 31 (A) of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 for exceeding the prescribed standards/ polluting the environment.

And whereas, the order of the National Green Tribunal is to be complied by designated officer as a decree/ order of Civil Court.

And whereas, the GNCTD has designated All Deputy Commissioner (Revenue), All SDMs, Asst Commissioner of Police Control Room, All Sub Divisional Police Officer Including Railways & Airports, Chairman and Member Secretary of DPCC and ACP (Traffic) under the provisions of Noise Pollution (Regulation & Control) Rules, 2000. Further, GNCTD has also proposed Assistant Commissioners of Municipal/ Local bodies of Delhi as a designated authority.

Therefore, in pursuance to the Tribunal's orders and Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 designated authorities and action to be initiated by Different agencies are as follows:

Designated Authority under Noise Rules	Action Points
All Deputy Commissioners, Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi.	I. Maintaining Noise levels in any area/ zone as specified in the Schedule. II. Responsible for due compliance with the ambient air quality standards in respect of Noise. III. Compliance to the sound limiter Notification. No audio system/ public address system shall be let out/ installed without sound limiter.
All Sub Divisional Magistrates, Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi.	I. Action regarding Noise of the D.G. Sets/ cooling towers/ Air Conditioners/ compressors installed in Commercial areas. II. Restrictions on the sound emitting construction equipment (including marble & tile cutting machines) and bursting of firecrackers. III. Regular meetings with RWAs/ NGOs/ Schools/ Colleges etc. for awareness on Noise Pollution Control.



	<p>IV. Issue directions to prevent annoyance, disturbance, discomfort or injury to public or any person caused by the incidence or continuance noise at any premises due to any vocal or instrumental music, sound caused by playing, beating, clashing, blowing, appliances, or apparatus etc.</p>
<p>Asstt. Commissioners of the Police control room.</p> <p>All Sub Divisional Police Officers including Railways & Airports</p>	<p>I. Maintaining Noise levels in any area /zone as specified in the Schedule.</p> <p>II. Restrictions on the use of loud speakers/public address systems (and sound-producing instruments).</p> <p>III. Grant of permissions for the use of loud speakers/public address system with implementation of sound limiter Notification. In Delhi, the installation of Sound limiters in sound systems is mandatory. To act upon these directions and implemented in social functions. To take undertaking from the organizer as a pre-condition for permitting playing loudspeakers.</p> <p>IV. Restrictions on the sound emitting construction equipments (including marble & tile cutting machines) and bursting of sound emitting firecrackers.</p> <p>V. To conduct regular meetings with office bearers of religious institutions for self-regulation of Noise from sound emitting instruments. Sound from mics should be limited to its premises and be pursued to install sound limiters and abide by the noise rules.</p> <p>VI. To issue such directions necessary to any person for preventing, prohibiting, controlling or regulating noise at his premises.</p> <p>VII. Implementation of restrictions related to aircraft noise.</p>
<p>Chairman and Member Secretary of Delhi Pollution Control Committee, Delhi.</p>	<p>I. Maintaining Noise levels in any area/zone as specified in the Schedule.</p> <p>II. To ensure compliance to the ambient air quality standards in respect of Noise.</p> <p>III. Action regarding Noise of the D.G. Set/ cooling towers/ Air Conditioners/ compressors, if installed in Industrial areas.</p> <p>IV. DPCC to maintain and operate real-time noise monitoring stations and share monitoring data with land-owning agencies, which includes Hotspots also.</p> <p>V. To collect, compile and publish technical and statistical data relating to noise pollution and measures devised for its effective prevention, control and abatement.</p> <p>VI. Compilation of action taken by enforcement agencies for data analysis.</p>

	<p>VII. To coordinate the awareness campaigns through the Department of Education, Transport, and Environment.</p> <p>VIII. Feasibility to be explored regarding globally available noise tracking system.</p>
Assistant Commissioners of Police (Traffic)	<p>I. Restrictions on the use of horns by vehicles except for electric horns.</p> <p>II. Implementation of silence zone notification.</p> <p>III. Restrictions on the use of modified silencers.</p> <p>IV. Conduct noise pollution control awareness campaign.</p> <p>V. To ensure free traffic flow, reduce idling vehicular Noise, and strictly enforce 'no-honking' zones/silence zones.</p>
Assistant Commissioners of Municipal/ Local bodies of Delhi (PROPOSED)	<p>I. To take action against noise of the D.G. set/ cooling towers/ air conditioners/ compressors, if installed in residential areas.</p> <p>II. Issue directions to prevent annoyance, disturbance, discomfort or injury to public or any person caused by the incidence or continuance noise at any premises due to any vocal or instrumental music, sound caused by playing, beating, clashing, blowing, appliances, or apparatus etc.</p> <p>III. To plant more trees around the roads, so they act as noise barriers.</p> <p>IV. To conduct regular meetings office bearers of religious institutions for self-regulation of noise instruments. Sound from mics should be limited to its premises and shall be pursued to install sound limiters and to abide by the noise rules.</p> <p>V. Conduct noise pollution control awareness campaign.</p> <p>VI. In Delhi, the installation of Sound limiters in sound systems is mandatory. To act upon these directions and implemented in social functions. To take undertaking from the organizer as a pre-condition for permitting playing loudspeakers.</p> <p>VII. To take into consideration all aspects of noise pollution as a parameter of quality of life to avoid noise menace and to achieve objective of maintaining air quality standards in respect of noise, while planning developmental activity or carrying out functions relating to city planning.</p>

Other Compliances:


- i. Joint Committee of DCP-PCR to undertake implementation of approved Noise Pollution Control Action Plan.
- ii. DPCC directions issued on 25.06.2021 regarding adoption of the scale of compensation for violation of Noise Rules, 2000 be complied in its letter and spirit (**Annexure I**). Monthly ATR need to be submitted.

- iii. It shall be the responsibility of the above mentioned agencies/ officers to ensure that coordinated action is taken to ensure that local sources of noise pollution as outlined above are completely curbed.
- iv. Systematic efficiency to be improved so that the complaint noted by the inspecting teams and/ or filed by the public on Sameer App/ Green Delhi App/ dedicated webportal/ exclusive noise helpline and ERSS-112 are obviated. Complaints (if any) received to be liquidated within 2 hours by the concerned designated authority.
- v. Detailed reports are to be submitted to the nominated officer of GNCTD as a Nodal officer (Noise Pollution) to Joint Committee, constituted by Hon'ble NGT, on fortnightly basis with a copy to DPCC.
- vi. The above directions given in pursuance of the order dated 14.07.2022 of the Hon'ble Green Tribunal to be complied in its letter and spirit. In case of any non – compliance, the concerned HOD/nodal officer(s) will be held responsible personally and appropriate action will be taken for such negligence.

The compensation amount so collected shall be deposited in Delhi Pollution Control Committee, having account no. 10166747672, IFSC Code SBIN0005715 in State Bank of India, ISBT. Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

Also, Weekly action taken reports of inspections conducted, compensation imposed and compensation collected shall be submitted by the authorized officers to Delhi Pollution Control Committee, without fail.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

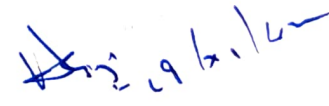

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