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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Subject: Management and Environmentally Sound Disposal of Waste Tyres under the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) (Amendment) Rules, 2022.**

It is to bring to your notice that the improper disposal and burning of used tyres pose a severe threat to both our environment and public health. When left in the open, they become breeding grounds for disease-carrying mosquitoes, and when burned, they release highly toxic fumes and pollutants that severely degrade air quality and harm human life. To address this environmental issue and ensure environmental safeguard, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) has amended the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement), 2022 vide GSR no. 593(E) dated 21/07/2022. The amendment provides legal framework for handling, recycling, management and disposal of waste tyres under Schedule IX introducing the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) regime for waste tyres, which officially came into effect on 21st July 2022.

As per the EPR norms, producers are obligated to collect waste tyres and channelize it for further recycling and safe disposal. In order to undertake this task, they are required to get themselves registered with the Central Pollution Control Board in the centralised EPR online portal. Further, recyclers and retreaders are also required to get registration from CPCB. The producers include: manufacturers, sellers and importers. Furthermore, producers are required to fulfil their Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) which means producers must ensure the environmentally sound management of waste tyres by collecting, channelling, and processing the waste through registered entities.

In this regard, the general public is hereby requested to strictly adhere to the following guidelines for handling and management of waste tyres:

- i. The open burning of waste tyres is strictly prohibited by the state government vide Notification No. 450 dated 16/11/2016, which stipulates that burning tyres for any purpose including heating, cremation, or any other activity is prohibited. Consequently, burning of waste tyres as fuel for any purpose including hot mix plants or similar operations is also completely prohibited.
- ii. Refrain from discarding old or scrap tyres in open spaces, jhoras (drains), rivers, or municipal solid waste bins.
- iii. When replacing old tyres, consumers are strongly advised to leave their waste tyres with the authorized tyre dealers, distributors, or service centres. These dealers are responsible for channelling the waste tyres to registered recyclers or retreaders.
- iv. Waste tyres may also be deposited at the designated deposition centres established by local municipalities under the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.





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Any individual, garage, or commercial establishment found violating these legal provisions will be subject to strict punitive action, including levying of environmental compensation (fines) as per the standing environmental norms.

Protecting our environment is a collective responsibility. We urge all citizens to cooperate in ensuring the scientific disposal of waste tyres to keep Sikkim clean and green.

Issued in the interest of the public and the environment.

  
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