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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONAL AGENCY
NATIONAL HOCKEY STADIUM FERROZEPUR ROAD, LAHORE
Dated 24.09.2024



STANDARD DESIGN OF COMMERCIAL TROLLIES AND ALL OTHER KINDS OF VEHICLES USED FOR TRANSPORTATION OF SAND, CLAY AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL TO CONTROL FUGITIVE DUST U/S 6(1)(t) OF THE PUNJAB ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1997

ORDER

WHEREAS, transportation of uncovered / unmanaged sand, clay and other construction material through the commercial trolleys and all other kinds of vehicles is one of the major sources of fugitive dust which contributes in air pollution and subsequent formation of smog.

2. **AND WHEREAS**, it is extremely necessary to control the dropping of sand, clay and other construction material during its transportation through the trolleys or any other kind of vehicle for management of air pollution and prevention of formation of smog.

3. **AND WHEREAS**, as per Section 2(xxxiii) of The Punjab Environmental Protection Act 1997, **pollution** means the contamination of air, land or water by the discharge or emission of effluents or wastes or air pollutants or noise or other matter which either directly or indirectly or in combination with other discharges or substances alters unfavorably the chemical, physical, biological, radiation, thermal or radiological or aesthetic properties of the air, land or water or which may, or is likely to make the air, land or water unclean, noxious or impure or injurious, disagreeable or detrimental to the health, safety, welfare or property of persons or harmful to biodiversity;

4. **AND WHEREAS**, Section 6(1)(t) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act 1997 empowers the undersigned to ***“take or cause to be taken all necessary measure for the protection, conservation, rehabilitation and improvement of the environment, prevention and control of pollution and promotion of sustainable development”***

5. **NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Dr. Imran Hamid Sheikh (PAS), in exercise of the powers conferred upon me under Section 6(1)(t) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act 1997 do hereby order that:

- i. No commercial trolley shall be permitted to transport sand, clay and other construction material until it meets the following specifications.

Allowable length	Allowable Width	Axle and Tyres	Laden Weight tractor trolley (In tons)	Height of Side Board from platform
Not exceeding twelve feet	Not exceeding 8 feet	Single Tandem Tyre	12	Not less than: 24 inches (2 ft) Not more than: 30 inches (2.6ft)
Exceeding twelve feet but not exceeding twenty feet	Not exceeding 8 feet	Two Axle Single Tandem Tyre	18	Not less than: 24 inches (2 ft) Not more than: 54 inches (4.6ft)
Exceeding twenty feet but not exceeding thirty feet	Not exceeding 8 feet	Three Axle Single Tandem Dual Tyre	24	Not less than: 24 inches (2 ft) Not more than: 84 inches (7ft)

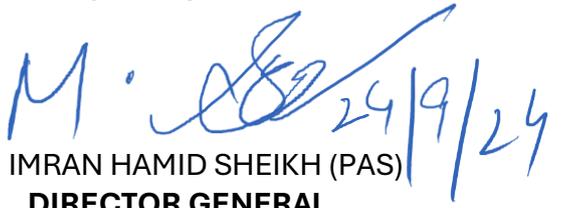
- ii. No Loader Rickshaws shall be permitted to transport sand, clay and other construction material until it meets the following specifications.

Allowable length	Allowable Width	Height of Side Board from platform
Not exceeding 6.5 feet	Not exceeding 4 feet	Not less than: 12 inches (1ft) Not more than: 24 inches (2ft)

- iii. The upper surface of sand, clay and construction material should be covered with wooden planks or tin/fiber sheet and then it should be covered with thick fabric sheet (tarpaulin etc).

- iv. The piling of sand, clay and other construction material exceeding the above mentioned height of side boards shall not be allowed.
 - v. Any other kind of vehicle used for the transportation of sand, clay and construction material shall not be allowed to do overloading and shall also ensure all the mitigation measures to control the sand, clay and construction material scattering while being transported.
 - vi. Before entering urban limits of a tehsil, trolleys and any other kind of vehicle used for transportation of sand, clay and other construction material must have their tyres and sideboards cleaned.
6. This order shall come into force with effect from **15th October 2024** in the whole province.
7. **Any contravention to this order shall be punished U/S 188 PPC.**

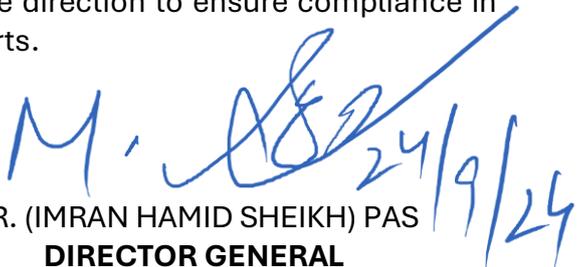
Issued under my hand & seal on this 24th day of September, 2024.


DR. IMRAN HAMID SHEIKH (PAS)
DIRECTOR GENERAL
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AGENCY
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A copy is forwarded to:

- i. All the DCs of Punjab for devising mechanism to implement this order on ground with the assistance of District Police.
- ii. The Additional Director General (Ops) for supervision of field operations
- iii. All the Deputy Directors (Field), EPA with the direction to ensure compliance in true letter and spirit and submit regular reports.


DR. (IMRAN HAMID SHEIKH) PAS
DIRECTOR GENERAL
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AGENCY
PUNJAB

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- i. The Secretary Environment Protection & Climate Change Department, Punjab

- ii. All the Divisional Commissioners, Punjab
- iii. The Secretary, Judicial Water & Environment Commission (JWEC), Punjab
- iv. The Additional Secretary (Staff), Chief Secretary's Office, Lahore
- v. The Additional Secretary (Coordination) Chief Minister Office Lahore.
- vi. The Chief, Environment & Climate Change, P&D Board, Lahore
- vii. The Additional Director General (Imp), EPA Punjab
- viii. PSO to Minister for Environment, Forest and P&D
- ix. PA to Director General EPA Punjab