[Authoritative English Text of the Department Notification No. S.T.E. F(9)-1/2018-loose dated 2020 as required under clause (3) of Article 348 of the Constitution of India]

Government of Himachal Pradesh Department of Environment, Science & Technology

No. STE-F-(9)-1/2018-loose Dated: Shimla-2

24 -01-2020.

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Government of Himachal Pradesh vide this Department Notification No. STE-F-(9)-1/2018 dated 20-09-2019 has imposed a complete ban on plastic cutlery such as spoons, bowls, katories, stirring sticks, forks, knives, straws made of plastic. This ban will be made effective after 3 months of date of publication of this notification in Rajpatra (e-Gazettee). The notification was published in Rajpatra on dated 25.10.2019 and now the ban shall come in force w.e.f. 26.01.2020.

AND WHEREAS, after issuance of this Notification, the Action Alliance for Recycling Beverage Cartons (AARC) represented to the Government of Himachal Pradesh to exempt integrated straws attached with tetra pack of beverages and keep it out of the purview of ban imposed vide notification dated 20.09.2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, keeping in view of above submissions, the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to exempt the use of integrated plastic straws attached with tetra pack of beverages temporarily, for a period of 6 months, subject to implementation of Action Plan submitted by Ms Tetra Pack India Pvt. Ltd., AARC under Extended Producer Responsibility. During the relaxation period, the manufacturers/producers shall come out with an alternative to plastic straw, which is bio-degradable. All other loose straws shall remain banned and other provisions as contained in the aforesaid notification dated 20-09-2019 shall remain unchanged. This notification shall come into the force with immediate effect from the date of issuance.

By Order,

Rajneesh, IAS

Secretary (Env. &ST) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No.: As above

Dated: Shimla-2,

£4-.01.2020.

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

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- 5. All the Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 6. All Heads of Department of Himachal Pradesh.
- 7. All the Deputy Commissioner of Himachal Pradesh.
- 8. All the Divisional Commissioner of Himackal Pradesh.
- 9. The Member Secretary, H.P. State Pollution Control Board. Phase-III, New Shimla-9.
- 19. The Director (Environment, Science & Technology), Paryavarn Bhawari, Near U.S. Club Shimla-1.
 - 11. The Member Secretary, H.P. State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (HIMCOSTE), Block No. 34, SDA Complex, Kasumpati, Shimla-9.
 - 12. M/s Tetra Pack India Pvt. Ltd.

13. Guard file.

(Sat Pal Dhiman) 34-01-2020

Joint Secretary (Env. S&T) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh