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महोदय,

कृपया इस पत्र के साथ सलंग्न पत्र आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु देखे

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### INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH KRISHI BHAVAN : NEW DELHI

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Dated: May, 2019

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India has issued DO letter No.12/79/2018-HSMD dated 8.3.2019 regarding World Environment Day and reduction of use of single use plastic in India. The same has been uploaded on the ICAR website <a href="https://www.icar.org.in">www.icar.org.in</a> and e-office for necessary action.

(Ajai Verma) Under Secretary (GAC)

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भारत सरकार पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्री GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE

D. O. No. 12/79/2018-HSMD Date: 241 March, 2019

As you are aware that India was the global host of World Environment Day g (WED) this year celebrated on June 05, 2018, in collaboration with UN Environment ន់ with the theme "Beat Plastic Pollution". The Ministry is making intensive efforts to reduce the use of single use plastic in India.

- I would like to state that Plastic itself is not a problem but littering of nonbiodegradable plastic and unsafe disposal of single-use plastic products and packaging materials is causing severe pollution, as they end up in landfills and oceans and takes hundreds of years to degrade. These discarded plastic products gradually release harmful toxins into the environment. The per capita consumption of plastics in India is on the rise and is one of the biggest environmental challenges for our country.
  - The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, has taken the first step and has prohibited the use of single-use plastics items such as PET bottles, plastic cups and plates, plastic jugs, plastic folders, banners in Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, the headquarters of the Ministry.
  - Taking the above into consideration, I would urge you to start the necessary action in all offices under the administrative control of your Ministry to "Beat Plastic Pollution" by taking following initiatives:
    - Encourage employees to refuse, reduce and reuse plastic products in their daily uses. Pledge for plastic free environment in your premises and associated offices.
    - Prohibit Single-use plastic products including water bottles, take away coffee cups, lunch wrapped in disposable plastic packaging, plastic bags, disposable food containers, plates and containers made of polystyrene foam, plastic straws etc.

Encourage use of durable, foldable and inexpensive reusable bag that can be carried around in car, pocket, or purse.

Encourage use of biodegradable and other types of compostable utensils in place of plastic and bring a fork, knife and spoon from home.

Encourage innovative ideas to reduce plastic footprints.

Avoid plastic office supplies especially plastic folders, tapes etc.

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- 5. We need to transform our habits and practices to dramatically reduce plastic litter and the harm it causes to our environment. Our Hon'ble Prime Minister has advocated for transformative action on this front.
- 6. Taking the above into consideration, I urge you to motivate the departments and offices, in the administrative control of your Ministry to remove/eliminate single-use plastic. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, looks forward to work collaboratively with your Ministry to beat plastic pollution.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. Harsh Vardhan)

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25 March 2019

# Dear Dr. Harsh Vardhan Ji,

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I am having the matter looked into.

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