

**Delhi Cantonment Board
Sadar Bazar, Delhi Cantt**

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On festive occasions such as Vinayaka Chaturthi, Durga Puja, Sarswati Puja etc., it has been a tradition to immerse idols in water bodies like rivers, lakes, ponds, wells etc. Consequently, Immersion of idols in water bodies has been a matter of concern in terms of water pollution, air pollution etc. It is therefore important that we celebrate the festival keeping in view the need for environment protection and also prevention and control of pollution.

Further, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) has issued various directions as regards to prohibit the throwing of Pooja material or any other material like food-grain, oil etc into river Yamuna except on the designated site.


Now, therefore, by virtue of powers conferred under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 vide Notification No. S.O. 881(E) dated 22.09.1988, by the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF), Government of India, Delhi Pollution Control Committee had issued the following directions for the general public:

- Worship material like flowers, decorating material (made of paper and plastic) etc. be removed before immersion of idols and be put at designated places so that the same may be recycled, composted or disposed of in an environmental safe manner.
- Make Small size idols not more than 5 feet in height so that those can be immersed in ponds to be prepared at designated places.
- Immerse idols only at the designated places identified by Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- Separate bins/receptacles have been provided on the ingress and egress of all the Yamuna Bridges for placing Pooja Samagri and flowers separately and no Pooja material be disposed directly in the river.

Any person who will violate the above said directions shall be liable to pay compensation of Rs. 5000/- on the "Polluter Pays" Principle to the concerned District Magistrate. The complete directions in this regard can be seen on Delhi Cantonment Board official website www.cbdelhi.in. For any further clarification, kindly contact on Telephone Number: 011-25683622.

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