



सावित्रीबाई फुले पुणे विद्यापीठ

(पूर्वीचे पुणे विद्यापीठ)

विद्यार्थी विकास मंडळ

गणेशखिड, पुणे - ४११ ००७.

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संदर्भ क्र. विविमं/२०२६-२७/४४२

दिनांक : २४/१०/२०२६

प्रति,

मा. प्राचार्य/मा. संचालक/मा. विभागप्रमुख,
सावित्रीबाई फुले पुणे विद्यापीठाशी संलग्नित
सर्व महाविद्यालये व परिसंस्था,
विद्यापीठ परिसरातील सर्व शैक्षणिक विभाग.

विषय : सुओ मोटो पीआयएल क्र. १/२०२६ ध्वनी आणि पर्यावरण प्रदूषण; सणासुदीच्या काळात सार्वजनिक रस्त्यांवर ॲम्प्लीफायरसह संगीत प्रणाली आणि फटाक्यांच्या अनियंत्रित वापरामुळे होणार सार्वजनिक उपद्रवाबाबत जनजागृती कार्यक्रमाबाबत.

संदर्भ : १. महाराष्ट्र शासन उच्च व तंत्र शिक्षण विभाग यांचे क्र. संकीर्ण - २०२६/ई-१८९९७५०/
विशि-५ दिनांक २२/१०/२०२६

२. सरकारी अभियोक्ता, मा. न्यायालय, मुंबई यांचे दिनांक २१/१०/२०२६ रोजीचे पत्र.

महोदय/महोदया,

उपरोक्त संदर्भीय पत्रान्वये आपणास कळविण्यात येते की, मा. सर्वोच्च न्यायालयाने फटाकांच्या दुष्परिणामांबाबत जागृती करणेसाठी आदेश दिले आहेत. विविध सणांच्यावेळी मोठ्या आवाजाचे फटाके उडविल्यामुळे निर्माण होणाऱ्या ध्वनी व हवा प्रदुषणाचे जनतेवर होणारे संभाव्य अपायकारक परिणाम टाळण्यासाठी असे फटाके वाजविण्यावर निर्बंध घालण्याच्या अनुषंगाने शासनाने परिपत्रकाद्वारे फटाक्यांच्या दुष्परिणामांबाबत जागृती करण्याबाबत वेळोवेळी कळविण्यात आले आहे.

महाराष्ट्र शासन उच्च व तंत्र शिक्षण विभाग यांनी विद्यार्थ्यांमध्ये ध्वनी व हवा प्रदुषणाचे उपायकारक परिणाम टाळण्यासाठी योग्य प्रशिक्षण तसेच जनजागृती कार्यक्रम राबविण्याबाबत निर्देशित केले आहे. याबाबतचे पत्र आपल्या माहिती व कार्यवाहीसाठी सोबत जोडले आहे. शासन निर्देशानुसार आपल्या महाविद्यालयात/मान्यताप्राप्त संस्था/सावित्रीबाई फुले पुणे विद्यापीठतील पदव्युत्तर विभागामध्ये उपरोक्त संदर्भीय परिपत्रकात नमूद केल्यानुसार विद्यार्थ्यांमध्ये ध्वनी व हवा प्रदुषणाचे उपायकारक परिणाम टाळण्यासाठी योग्य प्रशिक्षण तसेच व्यापक प्रमाणात जनजागृती कार्यक्रम काटेकोरपणे राबविण्याबाबत आपल्या स्तरावर योग्य ती कार्यवाही करावी.

तरी सदर उपक्रमात महाविद्यालयातील सर्व विद्यार्थ्यांना सहभागी होण्याबाबत प्रोत्साहित करावे. तसेच आपल्या महाविद्यालय/मान्यताप्राप्त परिसंस्था/ विभागातील मुख्य सूचना फलकावर सदर पत्र प्रदर्शित करून विद्यार्थी, शिक्षक व शिक्षकेतर कर्मचारी यांच्या निदर्शनास आणून देण्याबाबत संबंधितास सूचित करावे, कळावे ही विनंती.

सोबत : वरीलप्रमाणे

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महाराष्ट्र शासन

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क्र. संकीर्ण- २०२६/ई- १८९९७५०/विशि-५

दिनांक : २२/१०/२०२६

प्रति,

- १) संचालक, उच्च शिक्षण, पुणे.
- २) संचालक, तंत्र शिक्षण, मुंबई.
- ३) संचालक, कला संचालनालय, मुंबई.
- ४) कुलसचिव, सर्व अकृषी विद्यापीठे.

विषय : सुओ मोटो पीआयएल क्र. १/२०२६ (ध्वनी आणि पर्यावरण प्रदूषण; सणासुदीच्या काळात सार्वजनिक रस्त्यांवर ॲम्प्लीफायरसह संगीत प्रणाली आणि फटाक्यांच्या अनियंत्रित वापरामुळे होणारा सार्वजनिक उपद्रव) बाबत.

संदर्भ: सरकारी अभियोक्ता, मा. उच्च न्यायालय, मुंबई यांचे दि. २१.१०.२०२६ रोजीचे पत्र.

महोदय/महोदया,

विषयांकित संदर्भाधीन पत्रान्वये कळविण्यात आल्याप्रमाणे विभागाशी संबंधित मुद्द्यांबाबत विभागांतर्गत असलेल्या सर्व विद्यापीठे व त्यांच्याशी संलग्नित महाविद्यालयांमध्ये जनजागृती कार्यक्रम राबविणेबाबत सूचना आजच देण्यात याव्यात, ही विनंती.

आपला,

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To,

Date: 21st October, 2026.

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State of Maharashtra,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032
2. The Additional Chief Secretary,
Home Department,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032
3. The Principal Secretary,
Public Health Department,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.
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Higher and Technical Education Department,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.
5. The Principal Secretary,
School Education Department,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.
6. The Principal Secretary,
Environment Department,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032
7. The Principal Secretary,
Urban Development Department,
Madam Cama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.
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8. The Director General of Police,
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Regal Cinema, Colaba,
Mumbai - 400 032.
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Handwritten notes and signatures in the bottom left corner, including a date stamp "22/10/25".

9. The Director
 Directorate of Information and News,
 Ground Floor, Main Building, Mantralaya
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10. The Commissioner of Police,
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11. The Joint Commissioner of Police,
 Mumbai Traffic Police Headquarters,
 Sir Pochkhanwala Road, Worli,
 Mumbai 400030.
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12. The Member Secretary,
 Maharashtra Pollution Control Board,
 Administrative control of the Environment and
 Climate Change Department
 Kalpataru Point, 3rd and 4th Floor,
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Sub.: High Court, O.O.C.J.,
SUO MOTO PIL No. 1 of 2026
 Noise and Environmental Pollution;
 Public Nuisance caused by unregulated use of
 Music Systems with Amplifiers and Firecrackers
 on Public Streets During Festivals.

Sirs./Madam,

Please refer to this Office's emails dated 24.09.2026 and 16.10.2026

This is to inform you that, the above matter was on the Board on 21.10.2026, before the Division Bench of Their Lordships the Hon'ble Mr. Justice G. S. Kulkarni and the Hon'ble Justice Dr. Neela Gokhale. During the course of the Hon'ble Court has expressed its strong displeasure regarding the conduct of the Government Officers of not complying with the directions issued by the Hon'ble Court vide its Order dated 15.10.2026 in its letter and spirit. The directions issued by the Hon'ble

Court vide Order dated 15.10.2026 for your ready reference and necessary action are reproduced hereinbelow:

"17. In the light of the above discussion, we are of the considered opinion that at this stage of the proceedings, the following order would meet the ends of justice:

- (i) The order dated 22 September, 2026 passed in the present proceedings shall be applicable throughout the year and to all festivals. Accordingly, there shall be a total ban to the bursting of firecrackers during festivities on public streets, roads, etc. The authorities shall take all measures to implement the said direction and prevent air and noise pollution being generated by the use of firecrackers.*
- (ii) There shall also be complete restraint on bursting of firecrackers in silence zones like in the vicinity of hospitals, Government offices, Courts, schools etc.*
- (iii) The Municipal Corporation and the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board shall jointly issue appropriate notices in the newspapers, electronic media, social media and other similar means of publicity, informing the public that the burning of firecrackers at public places, including streets, lanes, footpaths shall not be permitted.*
- (iv) The notice shall also apprise the citizens of the harmful effects of the toxicity caused by the burning of firecrackers and appeal to them to refrain from burning firecrackers that generate noise and cause smoke and air pollution.*
- (v) The State Government, the Municipal Corporation and the Pollution Control Board shall set up and implement an awareness mechanism regarding the burning/bursting of firecrackers, within a period of one week. Such mechanism shall include awareness programmes at the school levels, public announcement through electronic/social media and the display of messages on buses, at bus stops, in trains and at other appropriate places, well before the festivals. The citizens shall also be encouraged to use green crackers with lower noise and air pollution*

emissions and to adhere to the limited time periods prescribed under the applicable Rules and Regulations for burning firecrackers.

- vi) The notice shall also apprise the citizens of the harmful effects of the toxicity caused by the burning of firecrackers and appeal to them to refrain from burning firecrackers that generate noise and cause smoke and air pollution.*
- vii) The authorities may also consider involving celebrities in the awareness campaigns, with a view to make cities better places to live in.*
- viii) The Municipal Corporations, the Pollution Control Board and the Police Department shall create a complaint mechanism for receiving complaints by providing dedicated telephone numbers and ward-wise email addresses.*
- ix) The Collector, Municipal Commissioner, the Commissioner of Police shall appoint a Nodal officer to co-ordinate the enforcement. The names of such Nodal Officers be appropriately notified so that the citizens can register their grievances on the air and noise pollution generated by bursting of firecrackers.*
- x) The Chief Secretary shall nominate a Principal Secretary to hold meetings and coordinate on such issues with the different authorities.*
- xi) The various authorities shall also equip the field staff with decibel meters and other devices for measuring noise and air pollution.*
- xii) The complaints as may be received by the respective Nodal Officers shall be addressed with utmost expediency and prompt action shall be taken against those who are acting in breach of the rules and regulations as the law would mandate."*

During the course of the hearing the Hon'ble Court has empathetically stressed about ill effect caused by bursting of firecrackers upon the health of the public at large as also the environment and has implored the Government officers especially the Police Department to ensure that the Orders passed by the Hon'ble Court are implemented stringently. Furthermore, the Hon'ble Court has directed the State Government and its various Departments to comply with the following directions on or before 24.10.2026 and file Compliance Affidavit on 26.10.2026

before the Hon'ble Court. The directions that the State Government and its various departments needs to comply with on or before 24.10.2026 are as under:

- (i) The State Government, the Municipal Corporation and the Pollution Control Board shall set up and implement an awareness mechanism regarding the burning/bursting of firecrackers, within a period of one week. Such mechanism shall include awareness programmes at the school levels, public announcement through electronic/social media and the display of messages on buses, at bus stops, in trains and at other appropriate places, well before the festivals. The citizens shall also be encouraged to use green crackers with lower noise and air pollution emissions and to adhere to the limited time periods prescribed under the applicable Rules and Regulations for burning firecrackers.
- (ii) The notice shall also apprise the citizens of the harmful effects of the toxicity caused by the burning of firecrackers and appeal to them to refrain from burning firecrackers that generate noise and cause smoke and air pollution.
- (iii) The authorities may also consider involving celebrities in the awareness campaigns, with a view to make cities better places to live in.
- (iv) The Municipal Corporations, the Pollution Control Board and the Police Department shall create a complaint mechanism for receiving complaints by providing dedicated telephone numbers and ward-wise email addresses.
- (v) The Collector, Municipal Commissioner, the Commissioner of Police shall appoint a Nodal officer to co-ordinate the enforcement. The names of such Nodal Officers be appropriately notified so that the citizens can register their grievances on the air and noise pollution generated by bursting of firecrackers.
- (vi) The Chief Secretary shall nominate a Principal Secretary to hold meetings and coordinate on such issues with the different authorities.

(vii) The various authorities shall also equip the field staff with decibel meters and other devices for measuring noise and air pollution.

(viii) The complaints as may be received by the respective Nodal Officers shall be addressed with utmost expediency and prompt action shall be taken against those who are acting in breach of the rules and regulations as the law would mandate.

Please treat this matter with grave seriousness and gravity and ensure the compliance and implementation of the Order dated 15.10.2026 forthwith.

The soft copy of Order dated 15.10.2026 is attached herewith for your perusal and necessary action.

Yours sincerely,



(Anjali Neel Helekar)
Government Pleader,
High Court, Original Side,
Mumbai.

Encl: as above.

Cc.to:

The Learned Advocate General, State of Maharashtra, High Court, Mumbai.

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