Environment Protection (Banning of Plastic Banners) Regulations 2008

GN No. 113 of 2008

THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT 2002

Regulations made by the Minister under section 96 of the Environment Protection Act 2002

1. These regulations may be cited as the Environment Protection (Banning of Plastic Banners) Regulations 2008.

2. In these regulations -

"Act" means the Environment Protection Act 2002;

"barricade tape" means a strip of plastic which is of maximum width of 10 cm, highly visible and of a fluorescent or reflective colour.

"plastic banner" -

(a) means a banner made of plastic, or any other material containing plastic;

(b) includes bunting, barricade tape or a flag, made of plastic or any other material containing plastic.

3. (a) No person shall display or cause to be displayed, any plastic banner.

(b) Paragraph (a) shall not apply to the use of barricade tape -

(i) by police to cordon off a scene of crime, accident or incident in order to preserve evidence and control access to the site; or

(ii) during demolition, excavation or construction works for the safety and security of the public.

4. A person who contravenes these regulations shall commit an offence, and shall on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 250,000 rupees and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

Made by the Minister on 9th July, 2008.