



"Poly Packaging and Plastic Bags - Eliminating Use"

(Collective inputs of over 250,000 Citizens in Swachh Bharat Circle)

- 1. Jute bags should be made mandatory in malls and supermarkets
- 2. Use of poly packaging for public use products should be banned
- 3. Paper packaging should be promoted
- 4. Government should take the lead to bring laws for banning poly packaging and plastic bags from public use
- 5. Shops should be allowed to charge Rs. 5 to 10 for the bag they are giving (like in big bazar & mother dairy) which can be reimbursed on returning.
- 6. Every municipality must have a poly packaging inspection focal with clear accountability
- 7. Municipality should be made to make surprise checks in shops to prevent the usage of poly packaging
- 8. Shops/Businesses selling poly packaged products should be steeply fined
- 9. The number of units manufacturing polybags should be curtailed and discouraged through taxation
- 10. The health hazards which poly packaging and plastic bags pose need to highlighted through mass media
- 11. Kids should be educated in school to not use poly packaged products
- 12.A serious thought should be given to alternates that can be used in place of plastics. These alternates should be made available easily at a wide scale and their use should be encouraged
- 13.SBM Directorate should issue clear guidelines to all ULBs and other enforcement authorities specifying exact action needed from their end.