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DEPTT. OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT  
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GORKHABASTI: AGARTALA  
TRIPURA.-799006

No.F.8 (14)/DSTE/ENV/Pt-II/..7371-74

Dated 06./ 11 /2015.

To

- 1. The Secretary-In-Charge  
Home Department, Govt. of Tripura, Agartala
- 2. The Member Secretary  
Tripura State Pollution Control Board, Agartala.

**SUB:** - Order passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India w.r.t Writ Petition (Civil) No.728 of 2015 filed by Arjun Gopal Vs Union of India regarding control of Noise Pollution due to fireworks on the eve of Diwali & other period of festivals.

Sir,

Kindly refer to above. In this context, a copy of Order passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India w.r.t Writ Petition (Civil) No.728 of 2015 filed by Arjun Gopal Vs Union of India which is received from Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India regarding control of Noise Pollution due to fireworks on the eve of Diwali & other festivals is enclosed herewith for your kind information & doing needful action.

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Yours faithfully

*(Signature)*

(D. Chakraborty)  
Special Secretary & Director  
Deptt. of Science, Technology &  
Environment  
Govt. of Tripura

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- 1., The P.S to the Secretary, STE, Govt. of Tripura for kind information.
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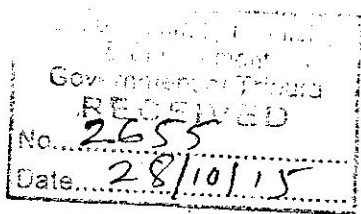
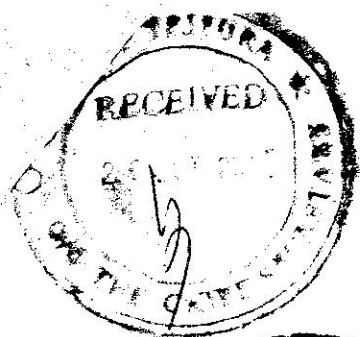
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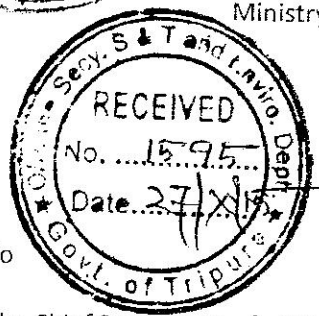
**URGENT-TIME BOUND  
SUPREME COURT MATTER**

No.Q-16017/69/2015-CPA  
Government of India

Ministry of environment, Forest & Climate Change

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan  
Jor Bagh, New Delhi - 110 003

Dated, the October 23, 2015



*Secy. S & T*

To  
- The Chief Secretaries of all the States / UTs

Sub: Writ Petition (Civil) No.28 of 2015 in the matter of Arjun Gopal Vs Union of India in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India - issuance of public notice / advisory through multi-media - regarding.

Dear Sir,

Please refer to the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court in the Writ Petition (Civil) No.728/2015 regarding noise pollution due to fireworks on the eve of Diwali. In its said order, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has directed the Government to give wide publicity to the ill-effects of fireworks and encourage restraint and responsible use including encouraging teachers to tell the students not to buy and use fireworks. Accordingly, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has ordered the following for compliance:

*"The Union Governments and all the State Governments will give wide publicity both in print and electronic media to the ill effects of fireworks and advise people accordingly."*

*We also direct the teachers/lecturers/assistant professors/professors of the schools and colleges to educate the students about the ill effects of the fireworks".*

In view of the above, you are requested to give wide publicity through electronic and print media in accordance with the said order for reducing the usage of fireworks and other related material during the occasion of Diwali (A copy of the order is enclosed). The Hon'ble Court has requested that the action taken in the matter may be intimated to this Ministry by 27<sup>th</sup> October 2015, positively.

Thanking you,

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,  
*R.A.H.*  
(Dr. Rashid Hasan)  
Advisor (CP)

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*Dr. Rashid Hasan*

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ITEM NO.57

COURT NO.1

SECTION PII(W)

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Writ Petition(Civil) No. 728/2015

ARJUN GOPAL AND ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS.

Respondent(s)

(With appln. for ex-parte stay and office report)

Date :16/10/2015 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMITAVA ROY

For Petitioner(s) Dr. A.M. Singhvi, Sr. Adv.  
Ms. Pooja Dhar, Adv.

For Respondent(s) Mr. Ranjit Kumar, S.G.  
Mr. Maninder Singh, ASG  
Mr. R. Balasubramanian, Adv.  
Ms. Binu Tamta, Adv.  
Mr. Rajiv Singh, Adv.  
Mr. S.N. Tardal, Adv.  
Ms. Movita, Adv.

Mr. C.A. Sundram, Sr. Adv.  
Ms. Rohini Musa, adv.  
Mr. Abhishek Gupta, Adv.  
Mr. Zafar Inayat, Adv.

Mr. Chirag M. Shroff, Adv.

Mr. Vijay Panjwani, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

Application for impleadment filed on behalf  
of Sri Kalishwari Fireworks is allowed.

Certain suggestions ara made by Dr. A.M.

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Singhvi, learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioners which are as under :

1. Restrict licences to low hazard fireworks.
2. Period of grant of license is too early- need not be from 2 days prior to Dussehra.
3. Restrict window for use of fireworks to be from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
4. RWAs to hold community fireworks for a brief period of 30 minutes on a single day.
5. Government be directed to give wide publicity to the ill effects of fireworks and encourage restraint or responsible use.
6. Encourage teachers to tell students not to buy and use fireworks.

In our view for the present, if we accept suggestion Nos. 5 and 6 it will not in any way affect the interest of the respondents.

Shri Ranjit Kumar, learned Solicitor General appearing for the Union of India states that the Union Government has already taken enough and effective steps to give wide publicity to the ill effects of fireworks.

In spite of the submission so made by the learned Solicitor General, we intend to pass the

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following order:

"The Union Governments and all the State Governments will give wide publicity both in print and Electronic media to the ill effects of fireworks and advise people accordingly.

We also direct the Teachers/ Lecturers/ Assistant Professors/Professors of the Schools and Colleges to educate the students about the ill effects of the fireworks.

The respondents shall complete the pleadings in a week's time.

Call on 27.10.2015 at 03:30 p.m.

[ Charanjeet Kaur ]  
A.R.-cum-P.S.

[ Vinod Kulvi ]  
Asstt. Registrar