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**Workshop on elimination of single-use plastics**

**Demonstration on digital thickness measuring device at Agartala**

A workshop on elimination of single-use plastics was held yesterday at Tripura State Pollution Control Board Conference Hall. The workshop was inaugurated by Principal Secretary of Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Khushwant Singh Shetty. Demonstration on working of digital thickness measuring device was held in the workshop and the device was distributed in the workshop. Sub-Divisional Magistrate and the officials of 18 Sub-Divisions participated in this workshop. It may be noted that from July 1, 2022 the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change of the Government of India has completely banned the production, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of single-use plastic materials identified in a gazette notification dated August 12, 2022. The workshop was organized to motivate agencies implementing and enforcing the ban in the state. Chairman of Tripura State Pollution Control Board Prof. BK Agarwal, Director of Department of Science, Technology and Environment Animesh Das, West Tripura District Magistrate Debapriya Bardhan, Member Secretary of Tripura State Pollution Control Board Dr. Bishu Karmakar and Executive Engineer Manas Mukherjee were present at the workshop.

Chairman of Tripura State Pollution Control Board, Prof. BK Aggarwal discussed the key issues in the workshop. In the workshop, project engineer Saptarshi Roy gave a detailed information on the working process of single use plastic and digital thickness measuring device through power point presentation. At the end of the workshop digital thickness measuring devices were distributed among the Sub-Divisional Magistrate and their officials. The member secretary of Tripura State Pollution Control Board informed this news in a press release.

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