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The Single use or short life PVC flex boards or posters, banners etc are being indiscriminately used in governmental institutions and offices for short term advertisement, in meetings, seminars and other Government functions organised by the department of the Administration, Central Govt. Organisations/Agencies including Defence establishment, local bodies, public sector undertakings of the Administration/Government of India in A & N Islands.

The Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC), a plastic polymer is a non biodegradable material and if burned, releases toxic fumes such as dioxins, furans etc. The harmful toxins may get bio-accumulated in the food chain of ecosystems causing a serious hazards to human health and environment.

The Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change has advised for eliminating the use of single use or short life PVC flex banners and posters in all Government Institutions and offices.

In order to combat plastic pollution and reduction in use of single use plastic, all departmental heads and other concerned are hereby directed to use alternatives such as cloth banners, light weight textile fabrics, wrinkle resistant wrap knit, natural fibre based sandwich boards, resin infused papers particles boards etc in various Government functions, seminars, workshops, advertisements etc.

  
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