

**FORMAT FOR DECLARATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY
PRESIDENT/SECRETARY OF THE DURGA/KALI/ JAGDHATRI PUJA
COMMITTEE FOR PERMISSION IN HMC AREA**

I hereby, declare the below:

- (a) that the idols will be made from natural materials i.e. Traditional clay, bamboo etc.
- (b) that no use of POP in idol making and raising of Super-structure will be done.
- (c) that no use of toxic and non-biodegradable chemical dyes and synthetic colour for painting of the idols will be done. No synthetic paint or colour containing toxic heavy metals like mercury, cadmium, arsenic, lead and chromium will be used in the making of idols and raising of super-structure.
- (d) that the idols will be painted by water soluble and non-toxic natural dyes.
- (e) that the height of the super structure of the idol will be less than 40ft. and the idol also will not exceed 20ft. in height.
- (f) that worship materials like flowers, sustras (clothes), other decorating materials made of paper and plastic will have been removed before immersion of idols and biodegradable materials will have been collected separately for disposal in sanitary landfills.
- (g) that the directions issued by the WBPCB for prohibition of single use plastic (SUP) items including plastic carry bag of less than 120 micron and Polystyrene (Thermocol) and expanded Polystyrene in the whole State of West Bengal w.e.f. 31/12/2022 & 01/07/2022 respectively vide Notification No. EN/1204/3C-22/2019, dated 27/06/2022 will be adhered to the letter and spirit while organizing the Puja including all its associate activities.

The _____ Puja committee shall be liable for violation of any of the provisions of these rules and the Howrah Municipal Corporation and other Government Agencies may impose penalty for any violation in according with the provisions of rule 11 of the West Bengal Prevention and control of Water Pollution (procedure for Immersion of idol after Pujas) Rules 2018.

Signature of the President/Secretary