## Office of the Chairperson Borough – VI The Kolkata Municipal Corporation 1, Hogg Street, Kolkata – 700 087

Memorandum of the meeting on the Sensitization and orientation programme on "Harmful effects of Tobacco use. To make Kolkata Tobacco Free" conducted by ": Manbhum Ananda Ashram Nityyananda Trust (MANT) held on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 at 4.00 P.M. in the Conference Room – 2. The Kolkata Municipal Corportion, 13, S.N. Banerjee Road, Kolkata – 700 013.

## PRESENTS:

## Member

- 1) Smt. Sanchita Mondal, Hon'ble Chairperson Wd No.51
- 2) Jb. Manzar Iqbal, Hon'ble M.M.I.C., Wd No. 61
- 3) Smt. Suman Sing, Councillor of Wd No. 47
- 4) Sri Gopal Ch. Saha, Councillor of Wd No. 46
- 5) Sri Sandipan Saha, Councillor of Wd No. 52
- 6) Sri Arun Kr. Das, Councillor of Wd No. 55
- 7) Jb. Kaisar Zamil, Councillor of Wd No. 60

## Officers

- 1) Ex. Engineer (C)/Br.-VI & Other officials, KMC.
- 2) Ex. Health Officer, Br.-VI & Other officials, Health Deptt.
- 3) Ex. Engineer (W.S.)/Br.-VI & Other officials and Lighting Deptt., SW & UPA Deptt. etc.
- 4) Representative of MANT

The meeting was presided over by Smt. Sanchita Mondal Chairperson, Borough - VI

At the outset of the meeting, Hon'ble Chairperson, Borough – VI introduced with representative of MANT with other presentees.

Representatives of MANT opined that the Cigarette and other Tobacco Products Act, 2003 (COTPA) was enacted in 2003 to control consumption cigarettes other tobacco to protect Youth and general population from the harmful effects of tobacco use. This act is applicable to all People of the county.

Section 4 & 6 of COTPA prohibits smoking in Public place, School, Hospital premises, offices, bus stand etc. Etc. Sec. 6 of COTPA protects minors and youth from tobacco by regulating and restricting the tobacco business. In support to provisions of these Acts, following steps may be taken:

- Display the 'No smoking' signage prominently at the entrance and additionally displaying at every entrance, every floor in addition to other conspicuous place within the facilities. Display of another signage "Tobacco free Educational Institution" at main gate / outer boundary informing prohibition of sale of tobacco products within 100 yards distance of any educational institution by the MANT after necessary permission from the concerned Authority.
- 2) The signage must be in English, Bengali or Hindi.
- 3) Ensure that no body use any form of tobacco in the whole office or educational institution campus including canteen and hostel by proper campaigning.
- 4) Ensure that no tobacco products are being sold or offered in the whole campus of the public place and within 100 yards of any educational institution.
- 5) A notification should be issued in favour of shopkeepers that :
  - a) Minors will not be allowed to sale any tobacco items.
  - b) No retailing of tobacco item be allowed to sale.

All the councillor who were present advised to the representative of MANT to contract with every councillor of Borough – VI proper implementation of "Harmful effects of tobacco" use by proper campaigning, conducting seminar, group discussion etc. with tobacco addicted people. If necessary local councillor will help the officials of MANT for hanging the display board by the representative of MANT and to implement the awareness programme of harmful effects of tobacco. In case of imposing fine of Rs.200/- from the tobacco products user in the office hours. As there is no provision/circular/order at present to collect fine from the tobacco products user in K.M.C. 'MANT' may collect the amount of fine with the permission of competent authority.

All the steps, to be taken by the officials / representative of the 'MANT' with the permission of the competent authority.

The meeting ended with thanks and highly appreciate to the representative of 'MANT' by Appell Sochairperson of Borough – VI & Officials of K.M.C. who were present at that meeting.

BOROUGH COMMITTEE NO-VI

Chairperson, Br.-VI

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