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Sindh govt imposes 'complete ban' on plastic bags

KARACHI: Adviser to chief minister on Environment Barrister Murtaza Wahab on Monday said a complete ban on manufacturing, sale, purchase and use of non-degradable plastic bags of all size has been imposed with effect from October 1, 2019.

The provincial adviser told this responding to a query raised by Sindh Chief Minister in the meeting of Sindh Cabinet here, said a statement.

He said that only Oxo biodegradable plastic/ shopping bags of different size, 10 into 14 to 30 into 40 with weight of 6 to 28 grams of 40 micron to 30 micron, single side would be manufactured, sold and used.

The chief minister directed his adviser to meet with manufacturers and sellers and take them into confidence for enforcement of the ban.

The Sindh cabinet directed the Karachi Water & Sewerage Board (KW&SB) to implement water and sewerage services charges/tariff as has been approved by the government in 2016.

The water board has implemented the enhancement of nine percent enhancement of its tariff for consumers of all categories.

The provincial cabinet also approved enhancement of fees of Gratis Arms Licence (non-Prohibited Bore) from Rs 1,000 to Rs 2,000, on the request of Sindh Home department to meet out the expenditures of scanning, lamination, printing, electricity, stationary, software development consumed in issuance of such computerised licences.