GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE :: EAST KHASI HILLS DISTRICT ::: S H I L L O N G :::

ORDER UNDER SECTION 163 BNSS

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Undersigned that there is deliberate Burning of Forest in and around the District, and that there is rampant unattended burning of Forest which leads to Wildfires/Forest fires;

And, whereas, it is necessary to ensure safety to the general public, and also to ensure protection of the environment from degradation and to prevent further damage to the precious forest ecosystem; as well as threat to safety and loss of human lives,

And whereas, I am fully satisfied that prohibitory order under **Section 163 BNSS**, is necessary to be passed;

Now, therefore, I, Smti. R.M. Kurbah, IAS, District Magistrate, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong in exercise of the powers conferred upon me under Section 163 BNSS do hereby prohibit deliberate burning of fires and unattended burning of forests that have the potential to cause wild/forest fires and thereby damage cause to environment, property and resultant loss of lives.

Any violation to this Order shall be prosecuted under Section 223 of the BNS.

In view of the urgency of the situation, this order has been passed exparte and it shall come into force with immediate effect and remain in force until further orders.

Given under my hand and seal this, the 4th December, 2025

Sd/District Magistrate,
East Khasi Hills District,
Shillong.
Dated Shillong the 4th December, 2025

Memo No. C&S.14/163/BNSS/2023/116-A