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**Municipal Commissioner's Circular No. ....15.....of 2024-25**

It has come to the notice that during cremations at Burning Ghats under the jurisdiction of Kolkata Municipal Corporation, the deceased while being prepared for cremation are put inside the electric furnaces accompanied by materials such as mattresses, heavy blankets, pillows etc. The burning of such materials along with the mortal remains of the deceased result in the formation of thick black smoke leading to malfunction of the Air Pollution Control (APC) mechanisms of the electric furnaces and creating emissions of profuse black smoke and particulate matters like ash in the neighborhood, leading to public health and environmental hazards for the residents located near the said crematoriums.

Therefore, it is directed that no such thick fabric materials as mentioned above can be introduced into the electric furnaces along with the deceased body. The deceased person may only be clad with necessary garments and a thin white cloth spread over the body. The concerned Sub-Registrars on duty at the Burning Ghats will ensure that such materials as detailed in this Circular are only to be used for the crematory preparation of the deceased.

For strict compliance of all concerned.

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