State Green Mission

Guidelines for Green Taxis in Sikkim

Sikkim has launched a unique and innovative programme called "State Green Mission" under the dynamic leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minster, Dr. Pawan Chamling, with the view to raise avenue plantation and beautification of all vacant and waste lands to further reinforce the wide spread recognition of Sikkim being a Clean, Green and Garden State. As a part of the Green Mission, the Green Taxis initiative has been taken to reduce the solid waste (garbage) disposal along roads while traveling.

We request all the taxi drivers of Sikkim to ensure that the travelers follow the following code of conduct.

- 1. Match Sticks, cigarette stubs can cause wild fires, Avoid throwing them out.
- 2. Avoid littering and spitting on the road
- 3. Always use dustbins, not roads to throw wastes
- Avoid throwing food wrappers, tetra packs, plastics from the vehicle.
- 5. Flowers are important for birds, Avoid plucking them
- Contact the Forest Secretary at 03592-281261 (O) or the concerned Divisional Forest Officers for reporting any forest offence

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GREEN MISSION All vehicles should have dust bins

Sikkim State Government has taken up programme of State Green Mission to make Sikkim Clean, Green and Garden State. Avenue plantations along various roads have been taken up extensively through people's participation. We have also issued guidelines of Green Taxi to check pollution. Further all taxis and other vehicles are requested to have dust bin or garbage carry bags in the vehicle so that passengers should put used food packing material, wrappers, empty mineral water bottles etc. in the dust bin/garbage carry bag kept in the vehicle and not to throw here and there on the road while traveling. Drivers of taxis and other vehicles should ensure to clear the dust bin/garbage collection bags at the designated and earmarked major dust bins in and around town areas. We need co-operation of taxi owners, Taxi Drivers' Association, Travellers, Travel Agent Associations and Motor Vehicle Department on this aspect to keep our roads free of garbage.

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