

**CONSOLIDATED TO 30 JUNE 2012**

**THE PUBLIC HEALTH (HEALTH AND SANITATION) (PREVENTION OF DEFILEMENT  
OF RIVERS AND STREAMS) REGULATIONS**

*[21st January, 1970]*

G.N. 47/1910.  
G.N. 54/1926.  
G.N. 75/1947.  
G.N. 292/1951.  
SI. 54/1960  
SI. 50/1962.  
SI. 60/1966.  
SI. 104/1975

1. These regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Health and Sanitation) (Prevention of Defilement of Rivers and Streams) Regulations.

2. In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-

"rivers" and "streams" include all springs, natural rivers of water and water courses but do not include artificial water courses.

3. (1) No dwelling house, kitchen, slaughter-house, latrine, urinal, stable, cow shed, cattle yard, pig-sty, poultry yard, poultry house, distillery or other manufacturing premises shall be placed within fifty feet of any river or stream except under and in accordance with any conditions in a permit in writing granted by a medical officer of health.

(2) Any person who-

- (a) constructs or permits to remain in position any of the premises referred to in subregulation (1) otherwise than under a permit or;
- (b) contravenes or permits the contravention of or fails or permits the failure to comply with any conditions of a permit,

granted under this regulation, shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of one thousand rupees.

4. Any premises referred to in regulation 3(1) or any collection of water, sewage, dung, manure, rubbish, refuse, garbage or similar fluid or solid matter or any sewer, ditch or drain so situated that any fluid or matter therefrom can defile any river or stream shall be deemed to be a "nuisance" within the meaning of section 16 of the Act and all the provisions of that Act for the investigation, remedying, abatement, prosecution, and punishment thereof shall apply.

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