

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS
CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION**

Press Release

Chandigarh, 15th October, 2017: In compliance of directions dated: 13.10.2017, of Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court in CWP no. 23548 of 2017, Sh. Ajit Balaji Joshi, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Chandigarh, in supersession of his earlier order dated: 21.09.2017, issued u/s 144 of Cr. P.C., regarding ban on bursting of firecrackers et al, hereby, orders following:

1. The bursting of firecrackers within the territorial limits of U.T., Chandigarh, shall be between 06:30 P.M. to 09:30 P.M. on Diwali day, i.e. 19th October, 2017 only.
2. There shall be no bursting of crackers even before and also after Diwali till 26.10.2017.
3. The sale of firecrackers by the temporary licences granted by the office of the under-signed, shall only be in the areas, which are designated in the temporary licence and no temporary licensee shall sell firecrackers or market them at any other place except the earmarked/designated area.
4. The manufacture, sale or use of firecrackers generating noise level exceeding 125 dB (AI) or 145 dB (C) pk at 4 meters distance from the point of bursting & for individual fire cracker constituting the series, the said limit reduced by $5 \log_{10} (N)$ dB, where N= number of crackers joined together, shall be banned.
5. Every manufacturer shall on the box of each firecracker, mention details of its chemical contents and that it satisfies the requirement as laid by the Department of Explosives.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect and shall be effective up-to and including **26.10.2017**.

