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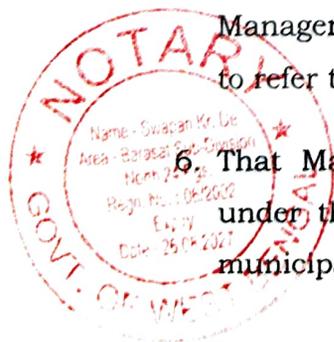
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NAMELY MAL MUNICIPALITY**

I, Sri Chandrasekhar Das, Son of Late Sachindra Mohan Das, aged about 63 years, by occupation working for gain as Executive Officer at Mal Municipality Executive Officer, having office at Malbazar Municipality, P.O- Mal, District: Jalpaiguri, Pin: 735221, do hereby solemnly affirm and state as follows:

1. That I am the Executive Officer of Mal Municipality, the Respondent herein, and I am duly authorized to swear this affidavit on behalf of the said Municipality. I am conversant with the facts and circumstances of the case based on official records and I am competent to depose hereto.

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2. That at the commencement, I humbly tender my unconditional apology for not being able to file the Counter Affidavit as per direction of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata.
3. That the Mal Municipality has received copy of the Order dated 30.06.2025 and thereafter have come to know about the instant original application.
4. That I have gone through the Original Application filed by the Applicant, Subhas Datta, under Section 14 read with Section 18 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010, alleging mismanagement of bio-medical wastes in the State of West Bengal, including references to Malbazar Super Speciality Hospital (herein after referred to as "Mal SS Hospital"). I am filing this counter affidavit to place on record the true and correct facts pertaining to the role and responsibilities of (Mal Municipality) Mal Municipality in waste management, particularly in relation to Mal SS Hospital.
5. That the averments made in the Original Application, to the extent they are not specifically admitted herein, are denied. The Applicant has made generalized allegations regarding bio-medical waste mismanagement across the State, without providing specific evidence implicating Mal Municipality in any violation of the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 (as amended). The Municipality craves leave to refer to and rely upon the Original Application as may be required.
6. That Mal Municipality is a local self-government body constituted under the West Bengal Municipal Act, 1993, and is responsible for municipal solid waste management within its jurisdiction, including



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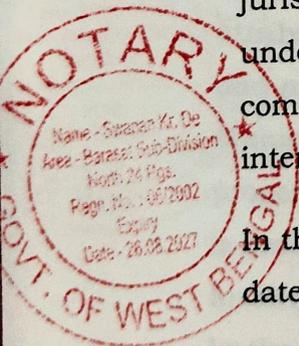
the collection, transportation, and disposal of general waste (such as kitchen waste, food leftovers, and other non-hazardous municipal waste) as per the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016. However, the Municipality has no jurisdiction, authority, or responsibility over the collection, segregation, treatment, or disposal of bio-medical waste, which is exclusively governed by the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016, and falls within the purview of the healthcare facilities generating such waste, the West Bengal Pollution Control Board (WBPCB), and authorized Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facilities (CBWTFs).

A Copy of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 is annexed herewith and marked with the letter 'A'.

7. That in relation to Mal SS Hospital, Malbazar Municipality is solely responsible for the collection of general waste at regular intervals. As per the records and standard operating procedures, the Municipality collects only general waste from the hospital and transports it to the designated stacking site at Ward No. 13 under the Municipality's jurisdiction, a new Solid Waste Management (SWM) plant is currently under construction to enhance processing capabilities, but until its commissioning, general waste is managed through stacking and other interim measures in compliance with applicable rules.

In this regard a Report is submitted by the Chairman Mal Municipality dated 06.08.2025 for kind consideration of the Hon'ble Tribunal.

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8. That bio-medical waste generated by Mal SS Hospital, including items categorized under the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 (such as wastes in yellow, red, white, or blue bags/containers), must be managed, segregated, and disposed of by the hospital itself or through authorized CBWTFs. Mal Municipality does not collect, handle, or dispose of any bio- medical waste from the hospital, as it lacks the necessary infrastructure, authorization, and expertise for handling hazardous waste. Any such waste is the exclusive responsibility of the hospital under Rule 4 of the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016, which mandates occupiers (health care facilities) to ensure segregation, pre-treatment, and hand over to authorized facilities.

A Copy of the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 is annexed herewith and marked with the letter 'C'.

9. That while under taking general waste collection from Mal SS Hospital, Municipality staff have occasionally observed colored poly bags (blue, yellow, and red) mixed with general waste. However, in strict adherence to regulations, the Municipality does not collect or transport any such colored bags, as they may contain bio-medical waste. Any mixing of bio-medical waste with general waste, if occurring, is attributable to improper segregation at the source (i.e., the hospital) and not to any action or omission on the part of the Municipality. The Municipality has repeatedly advised the hospital authorities to ensure proper segregation to prevent such instances, and the Mal Municipality is ready to cooperate with the WBPCB or other regulatory bodies in any investigation and also in complying with any direction as may be passed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata.

10. That the photographs annexed to the Original Application as Annexure-P1 (taken on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024), purportedly showing bio-



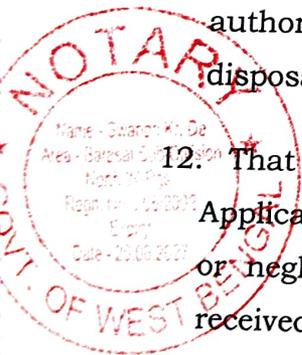
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medical wastes mixed with general wastes in the backyard of Mal SS Hospital, do not implicate Mal Municipality in any manner. These images appear to depict waste at the hospital premises prior to collection, highlighting potential lapses in segregation by the hospital itself. The Municipality collects waste only from designated points and ensures that no bio-medical waste is included in its collection process. If any bio- medical waste has inadvertently entered the general waste stream post-collection, it would be due to upstream failures by the generator (hospital), and the Municipality may not be held liable for the same.

11. That Mal Municipality is committed to environmental protection and complies with all applicable laws, including the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016. The Municipality has no role in the alleged state wide gaps in bio-medical waste generation, treatment, or disposal as highlighted in the Original Application, including references to reports by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) or the WBPCB's Annual Reports. These issues pertain to health care facilities, pollution control authorities, and CBWTFs, not municipal bodies responsible for disposal of general waste.

12. That the addition of Mal Municipality as a party to this Original Application is misconceived and unwarranted, as no specific violation or negligence has been attributed to it. The Municipality has not received any prior notice or complaint from the Applicant or regulatory authorities regarding bio-medical waste mismanagement linked to its activities.

13. That this respondent has high regards to the dignity and majesty of the Hon'ble Tribunal and is always ready to comply with the Solemn Orders and directions passed by the Hon'ble Tribunal.



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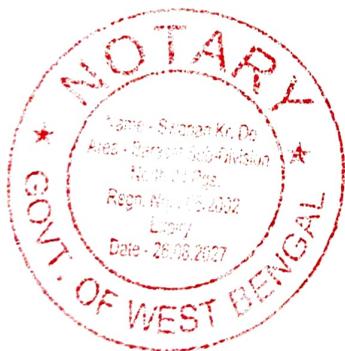
14. That it is respectfully prayed before the Hon'ble Tribunal may be pleased to pass such further Order/Orders as is deemed fit for the ends of justice.
15. That the statements made in paragraph 1 is true to my knowledge and paragraphs 2 to 13, are based on information derived from the record and which I believe to be true and rest thereof are my humble submission before this Hon'ble Tribunal.

Identified by me

*Sibajyoti Chakrabarti*  
Advocate 11.08.2025

*Chandrasekhar Das*  
DEPONENT

Executive Officer  
Mal Municipality



Solemnly Affirmed Before Me  
The 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 2025  
Duly Identified By  
S. Chakrabarti Advocate

S.K.De  
Notary  
Govt. of W.B., Barasat  
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### VERIFICATION

I, Chandrasekhar Das, the deponent within named, do hereby verify that the contents of the above affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, based on record as available in the office of the Mal Municipality and no part of it is false, and nothing material has been concealed therefrom. Verified on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.

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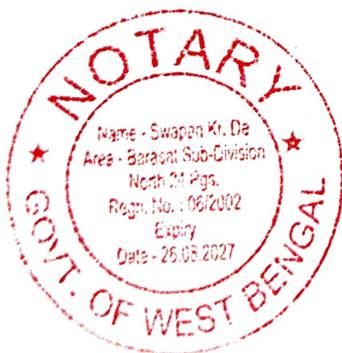
*Subijyoti Chakrabarti*

Advocate 11.08.2025

*Chandrasekhar Das*

DEPONENT

**Executive Officer  
Mal Municipality**



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**प्ररूप-VI**

[नियम 25 देखें]

**दुर्घटना का प्रतिवेदन**

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7.	ऐसी किसी दुर्घटना की पुनरावृत्ति को रोकने के लिए उठाए गए कदम	:	
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विश्वनाथ सिन्हा, संयुक्त सचिव

**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 8th April, 2016

**S.O. 1357(E).**—Whereas the draft of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2015 were published under the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change number G.S.R. 451 (E), dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015 in the Gazette of India, part II, Section 3, sub-section (i) of the same date inviting objections or suggestions from the persons likely to be affected thereby, before the expiry of the period of sixty days from the publication of the said notification on the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2015 in supersession of the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000;

And whereas, copies of the said Gazette were made available to the public on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015;

And whereas, the objections or comments received within the stipulated period were duly considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 3, 6 and 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) and in supersession of the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000, except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules for management of Solid Waste, namely:-

1. **Short title and commencement.-**

- (1) These rules may be called the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.  
 (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. **Application.-** These rules shall apply to every urban local body, outgrowths in urban agglomerations, census towns as declared by the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India, notified areas, notified industrial townships, areas under the control of Indian Railways, airports, airbases, Ports and harbours, defence establishments, special economic zones, State and Central government organisations, places of pilgrims, religious and historical importance as may be notified by respective State government from time to time and to every domestic, institutional, commercial and any other non residential solid waste generator situated in the areas except industrial waste, hazardous waste, hazardous chemicals, bio medical wastes, e-waste, lead acid batteries and radio-active waste, that are covered under separate rules framed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

3. **Definitions**—(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,- (1) **“aerobic composting”** means a controlled process involving microbial decomposition of organic matter in the presence of oxygen;

2. **“anaerobic digestion”** means a controlled process involving microbial decomposition of organic matter in absence of oxygen;
3. **“authorisation”** means the permission given by the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee, as the case may be, to the operator of a facility or urban local authority, or any other agency responsible for processing and disposal of solid waste;
4. **“biodegradable waste”** means any organic material that can be degraded by micro-organisms into simpler stable compounds;
5. **“bio-methanation”** means a process which entails enzymatic decomposition of the organic matter by microbial action to produce methane rich biogas;
6. **“brand owner”** means a person or company who sells any commodity under a registered brand label.
7. **“buffer zone”** means zone of no development to be maintained around solid waste processing and disposal facility, exceeding 5 TPD of installed capacity. This will be maintained within total area allotted for the solid waste processing and disposal facility.
8. **“bulk waste generator”** means and includes buildings occupied by the Central government departments or undertakings, State government departments or undertakings, local bodies, public sector undertakings or private companies, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, colleges, universities, other educational institutions, hostels, hotels, commercial establishments, markets, places of worship, stadia and sports complexes having an average waste generation rate exceeding 100kg per day;
9. **“bye-laws”** means regulatory framework notified by local body, census town and notified area townships for facilitating the implementation of these rules effectively in their jurisdiction.
10. **“census town”** means an urban area as defined by the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India;
11. **“combustible waste”** means non-biodegradable, non-recyclable, non-reusable, non hazardous solid waste having minimum calorific value exceeding 1500 kcal/kg and excluding chlorinated materials like plastic, wood pulp, etc;
12. **“composting”** means a controlled process involving microbial decomposition of organic matter;
13. **“contractor”** means a person or firm that undertakes a contract to provide materials or labour to perform a service or do a job for service providing authority;
14. **“co-processing”** means use of non-biodegradable and non recyclable solid waste having calorific value exceeding 1500k/cal as raw material or as a source of energy or both to replace or supplement the natural mineral resources and fossil fuels in industrial processes;
15. **“decentralised processing”** means establishment of dispersed facilities for maximizing the processing of biodegradable waste and recovery of recyclables closest to the source of generation so as to minimize transportation of waste for processing or disposal;
16. **“disposal”** means the final and safe disposal of post processed residual solid waste and inert street sweepings and silt from surface drains on land as specified in Schedule I to prevent contamination of ground water, surface water, ambient air and attraction of animals or birds;
17. **“domestic hazardous waste”** means discarded paint drums, pesticide cans, CFL bulbs, tube lights, expired medicines, broken mercury thermometers, used batteries, used needles and syringes and contaminated gauge, etc., generated at the household level;



18. **"door to door collection"** means collection of solid waste from the door step of households, shops, commercial establishments, offices, institutional or any other non residential premises and includes collection of such waste from entry gate or a designated location on the ground floor in a housing society, multi storied building or apartments, large residential, commercial or institutional complex or premises;
19. **"dry waste"** means waste other than bio-degradable waste and inert street sweepings and includes recyclable and non recyclable waste, combustible waste and sanitary napkin and diapers, etc;
20. **"dump sites"** means a land utilised by local body for disposal of solid waste without following the principles of sanitary land filling;
21. **"extended producer responsibility" (EPR)** means responsibility of any producer of packaging products such as plastic, tin, glass and corrugated boxes, etc., for environmentally sound management, till end-of-life of the packaging products;
22. **"facility"** means any establishment wherein the solid waste management processes namely segregation, recovery, storage, collection, recycling, processing, treatment or safe disposal are carried out;
23. **"fine"** means penalty imposed on waste generators or operators of waste processing and disposal facilities under the bye-laws for non-compliance of the directions contained in these rules and/or bye-laws
24. **"Form"** means a F8orm appended to these rules;
25. **"handling"** includes all activities relating to sorting, segregation, material recovery, collection, secondary storage, shredding, baling, crushing, loading, unloading, transportation, processing and disposal of solid wastes;
26. **"inerts"** means wastes which are not bio-degradable, recyclable or combustible street sweeping or dust and silt removed from the surface drains;
27. **"incineration"** means an engineered process involving burning or combustion of solid waste to thermally degrade waste materials at high temperatures;
28. **"informal waste collector"** includes individuals, associations or waste traders who are involved in sorting, sale and purchase of recyclable materials;
29. **"leachate"** means the liquid that seeps through solid waste or other medium and has extracts of dissolved or suspended material from it;
30. **"local body"** for the purpose of these rules means and includes the municipal corporation, nagar nigam, municipal council, nagarpalika, nagar Palikaparishad, municipal board, nagar panchayat and town panchayat, census towns, notified areas and notified industrial townships with whatever name they are called in different States and union territories in India;
31. **"materials recovery facility" (MRF)** means a facility where non-compostable solid waste can be temporarily stored by the local body or any other entity mentioned in rule 2 or any person or agency authorised by any of them to facilitate segregation, sorting and recovery of recyclables from various components of waste by authorised informal sector of waste pickers, informal recyclers or any other work force engaged by the local body or entity mentioned in rule 2 for the purpose before the waste is delivered or taken up for its processing or disposal;
32. **"non-biodegradable waste"** means any waste that cannot be degraded by micro organisms into simpler stable compounds;
33. **"operator of a facility"** means a person or entity, who owns or operates a facility for handling solid waste which includes the local body and any other entity or agency appointed by the local body;
34. **primary collection"** means collecting, lifting and removal of segregated solid waste from source of its generation including households, shops, offices and any other non-residential premises or from any collection points or any other location specified by the local body;
35. **"processing"** means any scientific process by which segregated solid waste is handled for the purpose of reuse, recycling or transformation into new products;
36. **"recycling"** means the process of transforming segregated non-biodegradable solid waste into new material or product or as raw material for producing new products which may or may not be similar to the original products;
37. **"redevelopment"** means rebuilding of old residential or commercial buildings at the same site, where the existing buildings and other infrastructures have become dilapidated;

38. "**refused derived fuel**"(RDF) means fuel derived from combustible waste fraction of solid waste like plastic, wood, pulp or organic waste, other than chlorinated materials, in the form of pellets or fluff produced by drying, shredding, dehydrating and compacting of solid waste ;
39. "**residual solid waste**" means and includes the waste and rejects from the solid waste processing facilities which are not suitable for recycling or further processing;
40. "**sanitary land filling** " means the final and safe disposal of residual solid waste and inert wastes on land in a facility designed with protective measures against pollution of ground water, surface water and fugitive air dust, wind-blown litter, bad odour, fire hazard, animal menace, bird menace, pests or rodents, greenhouse gas emissions, persistent organic pollutants slope instability and erosion;
41. "**sanitary waste**" means wastes comprising of used diapers, sanitary towels or napkins, tampons, condoms, incontinence sheets and any other similar waste;
42. "**Schedule**" means the Schedule appended to these rules;
43. "**secondary storage**" means the temporary containment of solid waste after collection at secondary waste storage depots or MRFs or bins for onward transportation of the waste to the processing or disposal facility;
44. "**segregation**" means sorting and separate storage of various components of solid waste namely biodegradable wastes including agriculture and dairy waste, non biodegradable wastes including recyclable waste, non-recyclable combustible waste, sanitary waste and non recyclable inert waste, domestic hazardous wastes, and construction and demolition wastes;
45. "**service provider**" means an authority providing public utility services like water, sewerage, electricity, telephone, roads, drainage, etc;
46. "**solid waste**" means and includes solid or semi-solid domestic waste, sanitary waste, commercial waste, institutional waste, catering and market waste and other non residential wastes, street sweepings, silt removed or collected from the surface drains, horticulture waste, agriculture and dairy waste, treated bio-medical waste excluding industrial waste, bio-medical waste and e-waste, battery waste, radio-active waste generated in the area under the local authorities and other entities mentioned in rule 2;
47. "**sorting**" means separating various components and categories of recyclables such as paper, plastic, cardboards, metal, glass, etc., from mixed waste as may be appropriate to facilitate recycling;
48. "**stabilising**" means the biological decomposition of biodegradable wastes to a stable state where it generates no leachate or offensive odours and is fit for application to farm land ,soil erosion control and soil remediation;
49. "**street vendor**" means any person engaged in vending of articles, goods, wares, food items or merchandise of everyday use or offering services to the general public, in a street, lane, side walk, footpath, pavement, public park or any other public place or private area, from a temporary built up structure or by moving from place to place and includes hawker, peddler, squatter and all other synonymous terms which may be local or region specific; and the words "street vending" with their grammatical variations and cognate expressions, shall be construed accordingly;
50. "**tipping fee**" means a fee or support price determined by the local authorities or any state agency authorised by the State government to be paid to the concessionaire or operator of waste processing facility or for disposal of residual solid waste at the landfill;
51. "**transfer station**" means a facility created to receive solid waste from collection areas and transport in bulk in covered vehicles or containers to waste processing and, or, disposal facilities;
52. "**transportation**" means conveyance of solid waste, either treated, partly treated or untreated from a location to another location in an environmentally sound manner through specially designed and covered transport system so as to prevent the foul odour, littering and unsightly conditions;
53. "**treatment**" means the method, technique or process designed to modify physical, chemical or biological characteristics or composition of any waste so as to reduce its volume and potential to cause harm;
54. "**user fee**" means a fee imposed by the local body and any entity mentioned in rule 2 on the waste generator to cover full or part cost of providing solid waste collection, transportation, processing and disposal services.
55. "**vermi composting**" means the process of conversion of bio-degradable waste into compost using earth worms;
56. "**waste generator**" means and includes every person or group of persons, every residential premises and non residential establishments including Indian Railways, defense establishments, which generate solid waste;
57. "**waste hierarchy**" means the priority order in which the solid waste is to should be managed by giving



emphasis to prevention, reduction, reuse, recycling, recovery and disposal, with prevention being the most preferred option and the disposal at the landfill being the least;

58. "waste picker" means a person or groups of persons informally engaged in collection and recovery of reusable and recyclable solid waste from the source of waste generation the streets, bins, material recovery facilities, processing and waste disposal facilities for sale to recyclers directly or through intermediaries to earn their livelihood.

(2) Words and expressions used herein but not defined, but defined in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act, 1977 and the Air (prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the respective Acts.

**4 Duties of waste generators.-** (1) Every waste generator shall,-

(a) segregate and store the waste generated by them in three separate streams namely bio-degradable, non bio-degradable and domestic hazardous wastes in suitable bins and handover segregated wastes to authorised waste pickers or waste collectors as per the direction or notification by the local authorities from time to time;

(b) wrap securely the used sanitary waste like diapers, sanitary pads etc., in the pouches provided by the manufacturers or brand owners of these products or in a suitable wrapping material as instructed by the local authorities and shall place the same in the bin meant for dry waste or non- bio-degradable waste;

(c) store separately construction and demolition waste, as and when generated, in his own premises and shall dispose off as per the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016; and

(d) store horticulture waste and garden waste generated from his premises separately in his own premises and dispose of as per the directions of the local body from time to time.

(2) No waste generator shall throw, burn or bury the solid waste generated by him, on streets, open public spaces outside his premises or in the drain or water bodies.

(3) All waste generators shall pay such user fee for solid waste management, as specified in the bye-laws of the local bodies.

(4) No person shall organise an event or gathering of more than one hundred persons at any unlicensed place without intimating the local body, at least three working days in advance and such person or the organiser of such event shall ensure segregation of waste at source and handing over of segregated waste to waste collector or agency as specified by the local body.

(5) Every street vendor shall keep suitable containers for storage of waste generated during the course of his activity such as food waste, disposable plates, cups, cans, wrappers, coconut shells, leftover food, vegetables, fruits, etc., and shall deposit such waste at waste storage depot or container or vehicle as notified by the local body.

(6) All resident welfare and market associations shall, within one year from the date of notification of these rules and in partnership with the local body ensure segregation of waste at source by the generators as prescribed in these rules, facilitate collection of segregated waste in separate streams, handover recyclable material to either the authorised waste pickers or the authorised recyclers. The bio-degradable waste shall be processed, treated and disposed off through composting or bio-methanation within the premises as far as possible. The residual waste shall be given to the waste collectors or agency as directed by the local body.

(7) All gated communities and institutions with more than 5,000 sqm area shall, within one year from the date of notification of these rules and in partnership with the local body, ensure segregation of waste at source by the generators as prescribed in these rules, facilitate collection of segregated waste in separate streams, handover recyclable material to either the authorised waste pickers or the authorized recyclers. The bio-degradable waste shall be processed, treated and disposed off through composting or bio-methanation within the premises as far as possible. The residual waste shall be given to the waste collectors or agency as directed by the local body.

(8) All hotels and restaurants shall, within one year from the date of notification of these rules and in partnership with the local body ensure segregation of waste at source as prescribed in these rules, facilitate collection of segregated waste in separate streams, handover recyclable material to either the authorised waste pickers or the authorised recyclers. The bio-degradable waste shall be processed, treated and disposed off through composting or bio-methanation within the premises as far as possible. The residual waste shall be given to the waste collectors or agency as directed by the local body.

**5. Duties of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.-** (1) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change shall be responsible for over all monitoring the implementation of these rules in the country. It shall constitute a Central Monitoring Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change comprising officer not below the rank of Joint Secretary or Advisor from the following namely,-



- 1) Ministry of Urban Development
- 2) Ministry of Rural Development
- 3) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- 4) Ministry of Agriculture
- 5) Central Pollution Control Board
- 6) Three State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees by rotation
- 7) Urban Development Departments of three State Governments by rotation
- 8) Rural Development Departments from two State Governments by rotation
- 9) Three Urban Local bodies by rotation
- 10) Two census towns by rotation
- 11) FICCI, CII
- 12) Two subject experts

2. This Central Monitoring Committee shall meet at least once in a year to monitor and review the implementation of these rules. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may co-opt other experts, if needed. The Committee shall be renewed every three years.

**6. Duties of Ministry of Urban Development.-** (1) The Ministry of Urban Development shall coordinate with State Governments and Union territory Administrations to,-

- (a) take periodic review of the measures taken by the states and local bodies for improving solid waste management practices and execution of solid waste management projects funded by the Ministry and external agencies at least once in a year and give advice on taking corrective measures;
- (b) formulate national policy and strategy on solid waste management including policy on waste to energy in consultation with stakeholders within six months from the date of notification of these rules;
- (c) facilitate States and Union Territories in formulation of state policy and strategy on solid management based on national solid waste management policy and national urban sanitation policy;
- (d) promote research and development in solid waste management sector and disseminate information to States and local bodies;
- (e) undertake training and capacity building of local bodies and other stakeholders; and
- (f) provide technical guidelines and project finance to states, Union territories and local bodies on solid waste management to facilitate meeting timelines and standards.

**7. Duties of Department of Fertilisers, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers.-** (1) The Department of Fertilisers through appropriate mechanisms shall,-

- (a) provide market development assistance on city compost; and
- (b) ensure promotion of co-marketing of compost with chemical fertilisers in the ratio of 3 to 4 bags: 6 to 7 bags by the fertiliser companies to the extent compost is made available for marketing to the companies.

**8. Duties of Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India.-** The Ministry of Agriculture through appropriate mechanisms shall,-

- (a) provide flexibility in Fertiliser Control Order for manufacturing and sale of compost;
- (b) propagate utilisation of compost on farm land;
- (c) set up laboratories to test quality of compost produced by local authorities or their authorised agencies; and
- (d) issue suitable guidelines for maintaining the quality of compost and ratio of use of compost visa-a-vis chemical fertilizers while applying compost to farmland.

**9. Duties of the Ministry of Power.-** The Ministry of Power through appropriate mechanisms shall,-

- (a) decide tariff or charges for the power generated from the waste to energy plants based on solid waste.
- (b) compulsory purchase power generated from such waste to energy plants by distribution company.

**10. Duties of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Sources-** The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Sources through appropriate mechanisms shall,-



- (a) facilitate infrastructure creation for waste to energy plants; and
- (b) provide appropriate subsidy or incentives for such waste to energy plants.

**11. Duties of the Secretary-in-charge, Urban Development in the States and Union territories.-** (1) The Secretary, Urban Development Department in the State or Union territory through the Commissioner or Director of Municipal Administration or Director of local bodies shall,-

- (a) prepare a state policy and solid waste management strategy for the state or the union territory in consultation with stakeholders including representative of waste pickers, self help group and similar groups working in the field of waste management consistent with these rules, national policy on solid waste management and national urban sanitation policy of the ministry of urban development, in a period not later than one year from the date of notification of these rules;
- (b) while preparing State policy and strategy on solid waste management, lay emphasis on waste reduction, reuse, recycling, recovery and optimum utilisation of various components of solid waste to ensure minimisation of waste going to the landfill and minimise impact of solid waste on human health and environment;
- (c) state policies and strategies should acknowledge the primary role played by the informal sector of waste pickers, waste collectors and recycling industry in reducing waste and provide broad guidelines regarding integration of waste picker or informal waste collectors in the waste management system.
- (d) ensure implementation of provisions of these rules by all local authorities;
- (e) direct the town planning department of the State to ensure that master plan of every city in the State or Union territory provisions for setting up of solid waste processing and disposal facilities except for the cities who are members of common waste processing facility or regional sanitary landfill for a group of cities; and
- (f) ensure identification and allocation of suitable land to the local bodies within one year for setting up of processing and disposal facilities for solid wastes and incorporate them in the master plans (land use plan) of the State or as the case may be, cities through metropolitan and district planning committees or town and country planning department;
- (h) direct the town planning department of the State and local bodies to ensure that a separate space for segregation, storage, decentralised processing of solid waste is demarcated in the development plan for group housing or commercial, institutional or any other non-residential complex exceeding 200 dwelling or having a plot area exceeding 5,000 square meters;
- (i) direct the developers of Special Economic Zone, Industrial Estate, Industrial Park to earmark at least five percent of the total area of the plot or minimum five plots or sheds for recovery and recycling facility.
- (j) facilitate establishment of common regional sanitary land fill for a group of cities and towns falling within a distance of 50 km (or more) from the regional facility on a cost sharing basis and ensure professional management of such sanitary landfills;
- (k) arrange for capacity building of local bodies in managing solid waste, segregation and transportation or processing of such waste at source;
- (l) notify buffer zone for the solid waste processing and disposal facilities of more than five tons per day in consultation with the State Pollution Control Board; and
- (m) start a scheme on registration of waste pickers and waste dealers.

**12. Duties of District Magistrate or District Collector or Deputy Commissioner.-** The District Magistrate or District Collector or as the case may be, the Deputy Commissioner shall, -

- (a) facilitate identification and allocation of suitable land as per clause (f) of rules 11 for setting up solid waste processing and disposal facilities to local authorities in his district in close coordination with the Secretary-in-charge of State Urban Development Department within one year from the date of notification of these rules;
- (b) review the performance of local bodies, at least once in a quarter on waste segregation, processing, treatment and disposal and take corrective measures in consultation with the Commissioner or Director of Municipal Administration or Director of local bodies and secretary-in-charge of the State Urban Development.

**13. Duties of the Secretary-in-charge of Village Panchayats or Rural Development Department in the State and Union territory.-** (1) The Secretary-in-charge of Village Panchayats or Rural Development Department in the State and Union territory shall have the same duties as the Secretary-in-charge, Urban Development in the States and Union territories, for the areas which are covered under these rules and are under their jurisdictions.

**14. Duties of Central Pollution Control Board.-**The Central Pollution Control Board shall, -

- (a) co-ordinate with the State Pollution Control Boards and the Pollution Control Committees for implementation of these rules and adherence to the prescribed standards by local authorities;
- (b) formulate the standards for ground water, ambient air, noise pollution, leachate in respect of all solid waste processing and disposal facilities;
- (c) review environmental standards and norms prescribed for solid waste processing facilities or treatment technologies and update them as and when required;
- (d) review through State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees, at least once in a year, the implementation of prescribed environmental standards for solid waste processing facilities or treatment technologies and compile the data monitored by them;
- (e) review the proposals of State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees on use of any new technologies for processing, recycling and treatment of solid waste and prescribe performance standards, emission norms for the same within 6 months;
- (f) monitor through State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees the implementation of these rules by local bodies;
- (g) prepare an annual report on implementation of these rules on the basis of reports received from State Pollution Control Boards and Committees and submit to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the report shall also be put in public domain;
- (h) publish guidelines for maintaining buffer zone restricting any residential, commercial or any other construction activity from the outer boundary of the waste processing and disposal facilities for different sizes of facilities handling more than five tons per day of solid waste;
- (i) publish guidelines, from time to time, on environmental aspects of processing and disposal of solid waste to enable local bodies to comply with the provisions of these rules; and
- (j) provide guidance to States or Union territories on inter-state movement of waste.

**15. Duties and responsibilities of local authorities and village Panchayats of census towns and urban agglomerations.-** The local authorities and Panchayats shall,-

- (a) prepare a solid waste management plan as per state policy and strategy on solid waste management within six months from the date of notification of state policy and strategy and submit a copy to respective departments of State Government or Union territory Administration or agency authorised by the State Government or Union territory Administration;
- (b) arrange for door to door collection of segregated solid waste from all households including slums and informal settlements, commercial, institutional and other non residential premises. From multi-storage buildings, large commercial complexes, malls, housing complexes, etc., this may be collected from the entry gate or any other designated location;
- (c) establish a system to recognise organisations of waste pickers or informal waste collectors and promote and establish a system for integration of these authorised waste-pickers and waste collectors to facilitate their participation in solid waste management including door to door collection of waste;
- (d) facilitate formation of Self Help Groups, provide identity cards and thereafter encourage integration in solid waste management including door to door collection of waste;
- (e) frame bye-laws incorporating the provisions of these rules within one year from the date of notification of these rules and ensure timely implementation;
- (f) prescribe from time to time user fee as deemed appropriate and collect the fee from the waste generators on its own or through authorised agency;
- (g) direct waste generators not to litter i.e throw or dispose of any waste such as paper, water bottles, liquor bottles, soft drink cans, tetra packs, fruit peel, wrappers, etc., or burn or bury waste on streets, open public spaces, drains, waste bodies and to segregate the waste at source as prescribed under these rules and hand over the segregated waste to authorised the waste pickers or waste collectors authorised by the local body;
- (h) setup material recovery facilities or secondary storage facilities with sufficient space for sorting of recyclable materials to enable informal or authorised waste pickers and waste collectors to separate recyclables from the waste and provide easy access to waste pickers and recyclers for collection of segregated recyclable waste such as paper, plastic, metal, glass, textile from the source of generation or from material recovery facilities; Bins for storage of bio-degradable wastes shall be painted green, those for storage of recyclable wastes shall be printed white and those for storage of other wastes shall be printed black;



- (i) establish waste deposition centres for domestic hazardous waste and give direction for waste generators to deposit domestic hazardous wastes at this centre for its safe disposal. Such facility shall be established in a city or town in a manner that one centre is set up for the area of twenty square kilometers or part thereof and notify the timings of receiving domestic hazardous waste at such centres;
- (j) ensure safe storage and transportation of the domestic hazardous waste to the hazardous waste disposal facility or as may be directed by the State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee;
- (k) direct street sweepers not to burn tree leaves collected from street sweeping and store them separately and handover to the waste collectors or agency authorised by local body;
- (l) provide training on solid waste management to waste-pickers and waste collectors;
- (m) collect waste from vegetable, fruit, flower, meat, poultry and fish market on day to day basis and promote setting up of decentralised compost plant or bio-methanation plant at suitable locations in the markets or in the vicinity of markets ensuring hygienic conditions;
- (n) collect separately waste from sweeping of streets, lanes and by-lanes daily, or on alternate days or twice a week depending on the density of population, commercial activity and local situation;
- (o) set up covered secondary storage facility for temporary storage of street sweepings and silt removed from surface drains in cases where direct collection of such waste into transport vehicles is not convenient. Waste so collected shall be collected and disposed of at regular intervals as decided by the local body;
- (p) collect horticulture, parks and garden waste separately and process in the parks and gardens, as far as possible;
- (q) transport segregated bio-degradable waste to the processing facilities like compost plant, bio-methanation plant or any such facility. Preference shall be given for on site processing of such waste;
- (r) transport non-bio-degradable waste to the respective processing facility or material recovery facilities or secondary storage facility;
- (s) transport construction and demolition waste as per the provisions of the Construction and Demolition Waste management Rules, 2016;
- (t) involve communities in waste management and promotion of home composting, bio-gas generation, decentralised processing of waste at community level subject to control of odour and maintenance of hygienic conditions around the facility;
- (u) phase out the use of chemical fertilizer in two years and use compost in all parks, gardens maintained by the local body and wherever possible in other places under its jurisdiction. Incentives may be provided to recycling initiatives by informal waste recycling sector.
- (v) facilitate construction, operation and maintenance of solid waste processing facilities and associated infrastructure on their own or with private sector participation or through any agency for optimum utilisation of various components of solid waste adopting suitable technology including the following technologies and adhering to the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Urban Development from time to time and standards prescribed by the Central Pollution Control Board. Preference shall be given to decentralised processing to minimize transportation cost and environmental impacts such as-
- a) bio-methanation, microbial composting, vermi-composting, anaerobic digestion or any other appropriate processing for bio-stabilisation of biodegradable wastes;
- b) waste to energy processes including refused derived fuel for combustible fraction of waste or supply as feedstock to solid waste based power plants or cement kilns;
- (w) undertake on their own or through any other agency construction, operation and maintenance of sanitary landfill and associated infrastructure as per Schedule I for disposal of residual wastes in a manner prescribed under these rules;
- (x) make adequate provision of funds for capital investments as well as operation and maintenance of solid waste management services in the annual budget ensuring that funds for discretionary functions of the local body have been allocated only after meeting the requirement of necessary funds for solid waste management and other obligatory functions of the local body as per these rules;
- (y) make an application in Form-I for grant of authorisation for setting up waste processing, treatment or disposal facility, if the volume of waste is exceeding five metric tones per day including sanitary landfills from the State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee, as the case may be;
- (z) submit application for renewal of authorisation at least sixty days before the expiry of the validity of authorisation;



- (za) prepare and submit annual report in Form IV on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> April of the succeeding year to the Commissioner or Director, Municipal Administration or designated Officer;
- (zb) the annual report shall then be sent to the Secretary -in-Charge of the State Urban Development Department or village panchayat or rural development department and to the respective State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee by the 31<sup>st</sup> May of every year;
- (zc) educate workers including contract workers and supervisors for door to door collection of segregated waste and transporting the unmixed waste during primary and secondary transportation to processing or disposal facility;
- (zd) ensure that the operator of a facility provides personal protection equipment including uniform, fluorescent jacket, hand gloves, raincoats, appropriate foot wear and masks to all workers handling solid waste and the same are used by the workforce;
- (ze) ensure that provisions for setting up of centers for collection, segregation and storage of segregated wastes, are incorporated in building plan while granting approval of building plan of a group housing society or market complex; and
- (zf) frame bye-laws and prescribe criteria for levying of spot fine for persons who litters or fails to comply with the provisions of these rules and delegate powers to officers or local bodies to levy spot fines as per the bye laws framed; and
- (zg) create public awareness through information, education and communication campaign and educate the waste generators on the following; namely:-
- (i) not to litter;
  - (ii) minimise generation of waste;
  - (iii) reuse the waste to the extent possible;
  - (iv) practice segregation of waste into bio-degradable, non-biodegradable (recyclable and combustible), sanitary waste and domestic hazardous wastes at source;
  - (v) practice home composting, vermi-composting, bio-gas generation or community level composting;
  - (vi) wrap securely used sanitary waste as and when generated in the pouches provided by the brand owners or a suitable wrapping as prescribed by the local body and place the same in the bin meant for non-biodegradable waste;
  - (vii) storage of segregated waste at source in different bins;
  - (viii) handover segregated waste to waste pickers, waste collectors, recyclers or waste collection agencies; and
  - (ix) pay monthly user fee or charges to waste collectors or local bodies or any other person authorised by the local body for sustainability of solid waste management.
- (zh) stop land filling or dumping of mixed waste soon after the timeline as specified in rule 23 for setting up and operationalisation of sanitary landfill is over;
- (zi) allow only the non-usable, non-recyclable, non-biodegradable, non-combustible and non-reactive inert waste and pre-processing rejects and residues from waste processing facilities to go to sanitary landfill and the sanitary landfill sites shall meet the specifications as given in Schedule-I, however, every effort shall be made to recycle or reuse the rejects to achieve the desired objective of zero waste going to landfill;
- (zj) investigate and analyse all old open dumpsites and existing operational dumpsites for their potential of bio-mining and bio-remediation and wheresoever feasible, take necessary actions to bio-mine or bio-remediate the sites;
- (zk) in absence of the potential of bio-mining and bio-remediation of dumpsite, it shall be scientifically capped as per landfill capping norms to prevent further damage to the environment.
- 16. Duties of State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee.-** (1) The State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee shall,-
- (a) enforce these rules in their State through local bodies in their respective jurisdiction and review implementation of these rules at least twice a year in close coordination with concerned Directorate of Municipal Administration or Secretary-in-charge of State Urban Development Department;
  - (b) monitor environmental standards and adherence to conditions as specified under the Schedule I and Schedule II for waste processing and disposal sites;
  - (c) examine the proposal for authorisation and make such inquiries as deemed fit, after the receipt of the application for the same in Form I from the local body or any other agency authorised by the local body;

- (d) while examining the proposal for authorisation, the requirement of consents under respective enactments and views of other agencies like the State Urban Development Department, the Town and Country Planning Department, District Planning Committee or Metropolitan Area Planning Committee, as may be applicable, Airport or Airbase Authority, the Ground Water Board, Railways, power distribution companies, highway department and other relevant agencies shall be taken into consideration and they shall be given four weeks time to give their views, if any;
- (e) issue authorisation within a period of sixty days in Form II to the local body or an operator of a facility or any other agency authorised by local body stipulating compliance criteria and environmental standards as specified in Schedules I and II including other conditions, as may be necessary;
- (f) synchronise the validity of said authorisation with the validity of the consents;
- (g) suspend or cancel the authorization issued under clause (a) any time, if the local body or operator of the facility fails to operate the facility as per the conditions stipulated:  
provided that no such authorization shall be suspended or cancelled without giving notice to the local body or operator, as the case may be; and
- (h) on receipt of application for renewal, renew the authorisation for next five years, after examining every application on merit and subject to the condition that the operator of the facility has fulfilled all the provisions of the rules, standards or conditions specified in the authorisation, consents or environment clearance.
- (2) The State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee shall, after giving reasonable opportunity of being heard to the applicant and for reasons thereof to be recorded in writing, refuse to grant or renew an authorisation.
- (3) In case of new technologies, where no standards have been prescribed by the Central Pollution Control Board, State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee, as the case may be, shall approach Central Pollution Control Board for getting standards specified.
- (4) The State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee, as the case may be, shall monitor the compliance of the standards as prescribed or laid down and treatment technology as approved and the conditions stipulated in the authorisation and the standards specified in Schedules I and II under these rules as and when deemed appropriate but not less than once in a year.
- (5) The State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee may give directions to local bodies for safe handling and disposal of domestic hazardous waste deposited by the waste generators at hazardous waste deposition facilities.
- (6) The State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee shall regulate Inter-State movement of waste.
- 17. Duty of manufacturers or brand owners of disposable products and sanitary napkins and diapers.-** (1) All manufacturers of disposable products such as tin, glass, plastics packaging, etc., or brand owners who introduce such products in the market shall provide necessary financial assistance to local authorities for establishment of waste management system.
- (2) All such brand owners who sell or market their products in such packaging material which are non-biodegradable shall put in place a system to collect back the packaging waste generated due to their production.
- (3) Manufacturers or brand owners or marketing companies of sanitary napkins and diapers shall explore the possibility of using all recyclable materials in their products or they shall provide a pouch or wrapper for disposal of each napkin or diapers along with the packet of their sanitary products.
- (4) All such manufacturers, brand owners or marketing companies shall educate the masses for wrapping and disposal of their products.
- 18. Duties of the industrial units located within one hundred km from the refused derived fuel and waste to energy plants based on solid waste-** All industrial units using fuel and located within one hundred km from a solid waste based refused derived fuel plant shall make arrangements within six months from the date of notification of these rules to replace at least five percent of their fuel requirement by refused derived fuel so produced.
- 19. Criteria for Duties regarding setting-up solid waste processing and treatment facility.-** (1) The department in-charge of the allocation of land assignment shall be responsible for providing suitable land for setting up of the solid waste processing and treatment facilities and notify such sites by the State Government or Union territory Administration.
- (2) The operator of the facility shall design and set up the facility as per the technical guidelines issued by the Central Pollution Control Board in this regard from time to time and the manual on solid waste management prepared by the Ministry of Urban Development.



- (3) The operator of the facility shall obtain necessary approvals from the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee.
- (4) The State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee shall monitor the environment standards of the operation of the solid waste processing and treatment facilities.
- (5) The operator of the facility shall be responsible for the safe and environmentally sound operations of the solid waste processing and or treatment facilities as per the guidelines issued by the Central Pollution Control Board from time to time and the Manual on Municipal Solid Waste Management published by the Ministry of Urban Development and updated from time to time-
- (6) The operator of the solid waste processing and treatment facility shall submit annual report in Form III each year by 30<sup>th</sup> April to the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Committee and concerned local body.

**20. Criteria and actions to be taken for solid waste management in hilly areas.-** In the hilly areas, the duties and responsibilities of the local authorities shall be the same as mentioned in rule 15 with additional clauses as under:

- (a) Construction of landfill on the hill shall be avoided. A transfer station at a suitable enclosed location shall be setup to collect residual waste from the processing facility and inert waste. A suitable land shall be identified in the plain areas down the hill within 25 kilometers for setting up sanitary landfill. The residual waste from the transfer station shall be disposed of at this sanitary landfill.
- (b) In case of non-availability of such land, efforts shall be made to set up regional sanitary landfill for the inert and residual waste.
- (c) Local body shall frame Bye-laws and prohibit citizen from littering wastes on the streets and give strict direction to the tourists not to dispose any waste such as paper, water bottles, liquor bottles, soft drink cans, tetra packs, any other plastic or paper waste on the streets or down the hills and instead direct to deposit such waste in the litter bins that shall be placed by the local body at all tourist destinations.
- (d) Local body shall arrange to convey the provisions of solid waste management under the bye-laws to all tourists visiting the hilly areas at the entry point in the town as well as through the hotels, guest houses or like where they stay and by putting suitable hoardings at tourist destinations.
- (e) Local body may levy solid waste management charge from the tourist at the entry point to make the solid waste management services sustainable.
- (f) The department in- charge of the allocation of land assignment shall identify and allot suitable space on the hills for setting up decentralised waste processing facilities. Local body shall set up such facilities. Step garden system may be adopted for optimum utilisation of hill space.

**21. Criteria for waste to energy process.-** (1) Non recyclable waste having calorific value of 1500 K/cal/kg or more shall not be disposed of on landfills and shall only be utilised for generating energy either or through refuse derived fuel or by giving away as feed stock for preparing refuse derived fuel.

- (2) High calorific wastes shall be used for co-processing in cement or thermal power plants.
- (3) The local body or an operator of facility or an agency designated by them proposing to set up waste to energy plant of more than five tones per day processing capacity shall submit an application in Form-I to the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee, as the case may be, for authorisation.
- (4) The State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee, on receiving such application for setting up waste to energy facility, shall examine the same and grant permission within sixty days.

**22. Time frame for implementation.-** Necessary infrastructure for implementation of these rules shall be created by the local bodies and other concerned authorities, as the case may be, on their own, by directly or engaging agencies within the time frame specified below:

Sl. No.	Activity	Time limit from the date of notification of rules
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	identification of suitable sites for setting up solid waste processing facilities	1 year

2.	identification of suitable sites for setting up common regional sanitary landfill facilities for suitable clusters of local authorities under 0.5 million population and for setting up common regional sanitary landfill facilities or stand alone sanitary landfill facilities by all local authorities having a population of 0.5 million or more .	1 year
3.	procurement of suitable sites for setting up solid waste processing facility and sanitary landfill facilities	2 years
4.	enforcing waste generators to practice segregation of bio degradable, recyclable, combustible, sanitary waste domestic hazardous and inert solid wastes at source ,	2 years
5.	Ensure door to door collection of segregated waste and its transportation in covered vehicles to processing or disposal facilities.	2 years
6.	ensure separate storage, collection and transportation of construction and demolition wastes	2 years
7.	setting up solid waste processing facilities by all local bodies having 100000 or more population	2 years
8.	Setting up solid waste processing facilities by local bodies and census towns below 100000 population.	3 years
9	setting up common or stand alone sanitary landfills by or for all local bodies having 0.5 million or more population for the disposal of only such residual wastes from the processing facilities as well as untreatable inert wastes as permitted under the Rules	3 years
10.	setting up common or regional sanitary landfills by all local bodies and census towns under 0.5 million population for the disposal of permitted waste under the rules	3years
11.	bio-remediation or capping of old and abandoned dump sites	5years

**23. State Level Advisory Body.** - (1) Every Department in-charge of local bodies of the concerned State Government or Union territory administration shall constitute a State Level Advisory Body within six months from the date of notification of these rules comprising the following members, namely:-

Sl. No	Designation	Member
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Secretary, Department of Urban Development or Local self government department of the State	Chairperson, ex-officio
2.	One representative of Panchayats or Rural development Department not below the rank of Joint Secretary to State Government	Member, ex-officio
3.	one representative of Revenue Department of State Government	Member, ex-officio
4.	One representative from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Government of India	Member, ex-officio



5.	One representative from Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India	Member, ex-officio
6.	One representative from Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India	Member, ex-officio
7.	One representative from the Central Pollution Control Board	Member, ex-officio
8.	One representative from the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee	Member, ex-officio
9.	One representative from Indian Institute of Technology or National Institute of Technology	Member, Ex-officio
10.	Chief town planner of the state	Member
11.	Three representatives from the local bodies by rotation	Member
12.	Two representatives from census towns or urban agglomerations by rotation.	Member
13.	One representative from reputed Non-Governmental Organisation or Civil Society working for the waste pickers or informal recycler or solid waste management	Member
14.	One representative from a body representing Industries at the State or Central level	Member
15.	one representative from waste recycling industry	member
16.	Two subject experts	Member
17.	Co-opt one representative each from agriculture department, and labour department of State Government.	Member

(2) The State Level Advisory Body shall meet at least one in every six months to review the matters related to implementation of these rules, state policy and strategy on solid waste management and give advice to state government for taking measures that are necessary for expeditious and appropriate implementation of these rules.

(3) The copies of the review report shall be forwarded to the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee for necessary action.

**24. Annual report.-** (1) The operator of facility shall submit the annual report to the local body in Form-III on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April every year.

(2) The local body shall submit its annual report in Form-IV to State P Control Board or P Committee and the Secretary-in-Charge of the Department of Urban Development of the concerned State or Union Territory in case of metropolitan city and to the Director of Municipal Administration or Commissioner of Municipal Administration or Officer in -Charge of Urban local bodies in the state in case of all other local bodies of state on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June every year

(3) Each State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee as the case may be, shall prepare and submit the consolidated annual report to the Central Pollution Control Board and Ministry of Urban Development on the implementation of these rules and action taken against non complying local body by the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July of each year in Form-V.

(4) The Central Pollution Control Board shall prepare a consolidated annual review report on the status of implementation of these rules by local bodies in the country and forward the same to the Ministry of Urban Development

and Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, along with its recommendations before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August each year.

(5) The annual report shall be reviewed by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change during the meeting of Central Monitoring Committee.

**25. Accident reporting-** In case of an accident at any solid waste processing or treatment or disposal facility or landfill site, the Officer- in- charge of the facility shall report to the local body in Form-VI and the local body shall review and issue instructions if any, to the in- charge of the facility.

#### SCHEDULE I

[see rule 15 (w),(zi), 16 (1) (b) (e), 16 (4)]

##### Specifications for Sanitary Landfills

###### (A) Criteria for site selection.-

- (i) The department in the business allocation of land assignment shall provide suitable site for setting up of the solid waste processing and treatment facilities and notify such sites.
- (ii) The sanitary landfill site shall be planned, designed and developed with proper documentation of construction plan as well as a closure plan in a phased manner. In case a new landfill facility is being established adjoining an existing landfill site, the closure plan of existing landfill should form a part of the proposal of such new landfill.
- (iii) The landfill sites shall be selected to make use of nearby wastes processing facilities. Otherwise, wastes processing facility shall be planned as an integral part of the landfill site.
- (iv) Landfill sites shall be set up as per the guidelines of the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India and Central Pollution Control Board.
- (v) The existing landfill sites which are in use for more than five years shall be improved in accordance with the specifications given in this Schedule.
- (vi) The landfill site shall be large enough to last for at least 20-25 years and shall develop 'landfill cells' in a phased manner to avoid water logging and misuse.
- (vii) The landfill site shall be 100 meter away from river, 200 meter from a pond, 200 meter from Highways, Habitations, Public Parks and water supply wells and 20 km away from Airports or Airbase. However in a special case, landfill site may be set up within a distance of 10 and 20 km away from the Airport/Airbase after obtaining no objection certificate from the civil aviation authority/ Air force as the case may be. The Landfill site shall not be permitted within the flood plains as recorded for the last 100 years, zone of coastal regulation, wetland, Critical habitat areas, sensitive eco-fragile areas..
- (viii) The sites for landfill and processing and disposal of solid waste shall be incorporated in the Town Planning Department's land-use plans.
- (ix) A buffer zone of no development shall be maintained around solid waste processing and disposal facility, exceeding five Tonnes per day of installed capacity. This will be maintained within the total area of the solid waste processing and disposal facility. The buffer zone shall be prescribed on case to case basis by the local body in consultation with concerned State Pollution Control Board.
- (x) The biomedical waste shall be disposed of in accordance with the Bio-medical Waste Management Rules, 2016, as amended from time to time. The hazardous waste shall be managed in accordance with the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016, as amended from time to time. The E-waste shall be managed in accordance with the e-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time.
- (xi) Temporary storage facility for solid waste shall be established in each landfill site to accommodate the waste in case of non- operation of waste processing and during emergency or natural calamities.

###### (B) Criteria for development of facilities at the sanitary landfills.-

- (i) Landfill site shall be fenced or hedged and provided with proper gate to monitor incoming vehicles, to prevent entry of unauthorised persons and stray animals
- (ii) The approach and / internal roads shall be concreted or paved so as to avoid generation of dust particles due to vehicular movement and shall be so designed to ensure free movement of vehicles and other machinery.
- (iii) The landfill site shall have waste inspection facility to monitor waste brought in for landfilling, office facility for record keeping and shelter for keeping equipment and machinery including pollution monitoring equipment. The operator of the facility shall maintain record of waste received, processed and disposed.



- (iv) Provisions like weigh bridge to measure quantity of waste brought at landfill site, fire protection equipment and other facilities as may be required shall be provided.
- (v) Utilities such as drinking water and sanitary facilities (preferably washing/bathing facilities for workers) and lighting arrangements for easy landfill operations during night hours shall be provided.
- (vi) Safety provisions including health inspections of workers at landfill sites shall be carried out made.
- (vii) Provisions for parking, cleaning, washing of transport vehicles carrying solid waste shall be provided. The wastewater so generated shall be treated to meet the prescribed standards.

**(C) Criteria for specifications for land filling operations and closure on completion of land filling.-**

- (i) Waste for land filling shall be compacted in thin layers using heavy compactors to achieve high density of the waste. In high rainfall areas where heavy compactors cannot be used, alternative measures shall be adopted.
- (ii) Till the time waste processing facilities for composting or recycling or energy recovery are set up, the waste shall be sent to the sanitary landfill. The landfill cell shall be covered at the end of each working day with minimum 10 cm of soil, inert debris or construction material..
- (iii) Prior to the commencement of monsoon season, an intermediate cover of 40-65 cm thickness of soil shall be placed on the landfill with proper compaction and grading to prevent infiltration during monsoon. Proper drainage shall be constructed to divert run-off away from the active cell of the landfill.
- (iv) After completion of landfill, a final cover shall be designed to minimise infiltration and erosion. The final cover shall meet the following specifications, namely :--
  - a) The final cover shall have a barrier soil layer comprising of 60 cm of clay or amended soil with permeability coefficient less than  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec.
  - b) On top of the barrier soil layer, there shall be a drainage layer of 15 cm.
  - c) On top of the drainage layer, there shall be a vegetative layer of 45 cm to support natural plant growth and to minimise erosion.

**(D) Criteria for pollution prevention.-**In order to prevent pollution from landfill operations, the following provisions shall be made, namely:-

- (i) The storm water drain shall be designed and constructed in such a way that the surface runoff water is diverted from the landfilling site and leachates from solid waste locations do not get mixed with the surface runoff water. Provisions for diversion of storm water discharge drains shall be made to minimise leachate generation and prevent pollution of surface water and also for avoiding flooding and creation of marshy conditions.
- (ii) Non-permeable lining system at the base and walls of waste disposal area. For landfill receiving residues of waste processing facilities or mixed waste or waste having contamination of hazardous materials (such as aerosols, bleaches, polishes, batteries, waste oils, paint products and pesticides) shall have liner of composite barrier of 1.5 mm thick high density polyethylene (HDPE) geo-membrane or geo-synthetic liners, or equivalent, overlying 90 cm of soil (clay or amended soil) having permeability coefficient not greater than  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec. The highest level of water table shall be at least two meter below the base of clay or amended soil barrier layer provided at the bottom of landfills.
- (iii) Provisions for management of leachates including its collection and treatment shall be made. The treated leachate shall be recycled or utilized as permitted, otherwise shall be released into the sewerage line, after meeting the standards specified in Schedule- II.. In no case, leachate shall be released into open environment.
- (iv) Arrangement shall be made to prevent leachate runoff from landfill area entering any drain, stream, river, lake or pond. In case of mixing of runoff water with leachate or solid waste, the entire mixed water shall be treated by the concern authority.

**(E) Criteria for water quality monitoring.-**

- (i) Before establishing any landfill site, baseline data of ground water quality in the area shall be collected and kept in record for future reference. The ground water quality within 50 meter of the periphery of landfill site shall be periodically monitored covering different seasons in a year that is, summer, monsoon and post-monsoon period to ensure that the ground water is not contaminated.
- (ii) Usage of groundwater in and around landfill sites for any purpose (including drinking and irrigation) shall be considered only after ensuring its quality. The following specifications for drinking water quality shall apply for monitoring purpose, namely :-

S. No.	Parameters	IS 10500:2012, Edition 2.2(2003-09) Desirable limit (mg/l except for pH)
(1)	(2)	(3)
	Arsenic	0.01
	Cadmium	0.01
	Chromium(as Cr <sup>6+</sup> )	0.05
	Copper	0.05
	Cyanide	0.05
	Lead	0.05
	Mercury	0.001
	Nickel	-
	Nitrate as NO <sub>3</sub>	45.0
	pH	6.5-8.5
	Iron	0.3
	Total hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	300.0
	Chlorides	250
	Dissolved solids	500
	Phenolic compounds (as C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH)	0.001
	Zinc	5.0
	Sulphate (as SO <sub>4</sub> )	200

**(F) Criteria for ambient air quality monitoring.-**

- (i) Landfill gas control system including gas collection system shall be installed at landfill site to minimize odour, prevent off-site migration of gases, to protect vegetation planted on the rehabilitated landfill surface. For enhancing landfill gas recovery, use of geomembranes in cover systems along with gas collection wells should be considered.
- (ii) The concentration of methane gas generated at landfill site shall not exceed 25 per cent of the lower explosive limit (LEL).
- (iii) The landfill gas from the collection facility at a landfill site shall be utilized for either direct thermal applications or power generation, as per viability. Otherwise, landfill gas shall be burnt (flared) and shall not be allowed to escape directly to the atmosphere or for illegal tapping. Passive venting shall be allowed in case if its utilisation or flaring is not possible.
- (iv) Ambient air quality at the landfill site and at the vicinity shall be regularly monitored. Ambient air quality shall



meet the standards prescribed by the Central Pollution Control Board for Industrial area.

**G. Criteria for plantation at landfill Site.-** A vegetative cover shall be provided over the completed site in accordance with the following specifications, namely:-

- (a) Locally adopted non-edible perennial plants that are resistant to drought and extreme temperatures shall be planted;
- (b) The selection of plants should be of such variety that their roots do not penetrate more than 30 cms. This condition shall apply till the landfill is stabilized;
- (c) Selected plants shall have ability to thrive on low-nutrient soil with minimum nutrient addition;
- (d) Plantation to be made in sufficient density to minimise soil erosion.
- (e) Green belts shall be developed all around the boundary of the landfill in consultation with State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees .

**H. Criteria for post-care of landfill site.-** (1) The post-closure care of landfill site shall be conducted for at least fifteen years and long term monitoring or care plan shall consist of the following, namely :-<sup>4</sup>

- (a) Maintaining the integrity and effectiveness of final cover, making repairs and preventing run-on and run-off from eroding or otherwise damaging the final cover;
  - (b) Monitoring leachate collection system in accordance with the requirement;
  - (c) Monitoring of ground water in and around landfill;
  - (d) Maintaining and operating the landfill gas collection system to meet the standards.
- (2) Use of closed landfill sites after fifteen years of post-closure monitoring can be considered for human settlement or otherwise only after ensuring that gaseous emission and leachate quality analysis complies with the specified standards and the soil stability is ensured.

**I. Criteria for special provisions for hilly areas.-**Cities and towns located on hills shall have location-specific methods evolved for final disposal of solid waste by the local body with the approval of the concerned State Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee. The local body shall set up processing facilities for utilisation of biodegradable organic waste. The non-biodegradable recyclable materials shall be stored and sent for recycling periodically. The inert and non-biodegradable waste shall be used for building roads or filling-up of appropriate areas on hills. In case of constraints in finding adequate land in hilly areas, waste not suitable for road-laying or filling up shall be disposed of in regional landfills in plain areas.

**J. Closure and Rehabilitation of Old Dumps-** Solid waste dumps which have reached their full capacity or those which will not receive additional waste after setting up of new and properly designed landfills should be closed and rehabilitated by examining the following options:

- (i) Reduction of waste by bio mining and waste processing followed by placement of residues in new landfills or capping as in (ii) below.
- (ii) Capping with solid waste cover or solid waste cover enhanced with geomembrane to enable collection and flaring / utilisation of greenhouse gases.
- (iii) Capping as in (ii) above with additional measures (in alluvial and other coarse grained soils) such as cut-off walls and extraction wells for pumping and treating contaminated ground water.
- (iv) Any other method suitable for reducing environmental impact to acceptable level.

#### SCHEDULE II

[see rule 16 (1), (b), (e), 16 (4) ]

#### Standards of processing and treatment of solid waste

**A. Standards for composting.-** The waste processing facilities shall include composting as one of the technologies for processing of bio degradable waste. In order to prevent pollution from compost plant, the following shall be complied with namely :-

- (a) The incoming organic waste at site shall be stored properly prior to further processing. To the extent possible, the waste storage area should be covered. If, such storage is done in an open area, it shall be provided with impermeable base with facility for collection of leachate and surface water run-off into lined drains leading to a leachate treatment and disposal facility;
- (b) Necessary precaution shall be taken to minimise nuisance of odour, flies, rodents, bird menace and fire hazard;



- (c) In case of breakdown or maintenance of plant, waste intake shall be stopped and arrangements be worked out for diversion of waste to the temporary processing site or temporary landfill sites which will be again reprocessed when plant is in order;
- (d) Pre-process and post-process rejects shall be removed from the processing facility on regular basis and shall not be allowed to pile at the site. Recyclables shall be routed through appropriate vendors. The non-recyclable high calorific fractions to be segregated and sent to waste to energy or for RDF production, co-processing in cement plants or to thermal power plants. Only rejects from all processes shall be sent for sanitary landfill site(s).
- (e) The windrow area shall be provided with impermeable base. Such a base shall be made of concrete or compacted clay of 50 cm thick having permeability coefficient less than  $10^{-7}$  cm/sec. The base shall be provided with 1 to 2 per cent slope and circled by lined drains for collection of leachate or surface run-off;
- (f) Ambient air quality monitoring shall be regularly carried out. Odour nuisance at down-wind direction on the boundary of processing plant shall also be checked regularly.
- (g) Leachate shall be re-circulated in compost plant for moisture maintenance.
- (h) The end product compost shall meet the standards prescribed under Fertilizer Control Order notified from time to time.
- (i) In order to ensure safe application of compost, the following specifications for compost quality shall be met, namely:-

Parameters	Organic Compost (FCO 2009)	Phosphate Rich Organic Manure (FCO 2013)
(1)	(2)	(3)
Arsenic (mg/Kg)	10.00	10.00
Cadmium (mg/Kg)	5.00	5.00
Chromium (mg/Kg)	50.00	50.00
Copper (mg/Kg)	300.00	300.00
Lead (mg/Kg)	100.00	100.00
Mercury (mg/Kg)	0.15	0.15
Nickel (mg/Kg)	50.00	50.00
Zinc (mg/Kg)	1000.00	1000.00
C/N ratio	<20	Less than 20:1
pH	6.5-7.5	(1:5 solution) maximum 6.7
Moisture, percent by weight, maximum	15.0-25.0	25.0
Bulk density ( $g/cm^3$ )	<1.0	Less than 1.6
Total Organic Carbon, per cent by weight, minimum	12.0	7.9



Total Nitrogen (as N), per cent by weight, minimum	0.8	0.4
Total Phosphate (as P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ) percent by weight, minimum	0.4	10.4
Total Potassium (as K <sub>2</sub> O), percent by weight, minimum	0.4	-
Colour	Dark brown to black	-
Odour	Absence of foul Odor	-
Particle size	Minimum 90% material should pass through 4.0 mm IS sieve	Minimum 90% material should pass through 4.0 mm IS sieve
Conductivity (as dsm-1), not more than	4.0	8.2

\* Compost (final product) exceeding the above stated concentration limits shall not be used for food crops. However, it may be utilized for purposes other than growing food crops.

**B. Standards for treated leachates.**-The disposal of treated leachates shall meet the following standards, namely:-

S. No	Parameter	Standards ( Mode of Disposal )		
		Inland surface water	Public sewers	Land disposal
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	Suspended solids, mg/l, max	100	600	200
2.	Dissolved solids (inorganic) mg/l, max.	2100	2100	2100
3	pH value	5.5 to 9.0	5.5 to 9.0	5.5 to 9.0
4	Ammonical nitrogen (as N), mg/l, max.	50	50	-
5	Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (as N), mg/l, max.	100	-	-
6	Biochemical oxygen demand (3 days at 27 <sup>o</sup> C) max.(mg/l)	30	350	100
7	Chemical oxygen demand, mg/l, max.	250	-	-
8	Arsenic (as As), mg/l, max	0.2	0.2	0.2
9	Mercury (as Hg), mg/l, max	0.01	0.01	-
10	Lead (as Pb), mg/l, max	0.1	1.0	-
11	Cadmium (as Cd), mg/l, max	2.0	1.0	-



12	Total Chromium (as Cr), mg/l, max.	2.0	2.0	-
13	Copper (as Cu), mg/l, max.	3.0	3.0	-
14	Zinc (as Zn), mg/l, max.	5.0	15	-
15	Nickel (as Ni), mg/l, max	3.0	3.0	-
16	Cyanide (as CN), mg/l, max.	0.2	2.0	0.2
17	Chloride (as Cl), mg/l, max.	1000	1000	600
18	Fluoride (as F), mg/l, max	2.0	1.5	-
19	Phenolic compounds (as C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH) mg/l, max.	1.0	5.0	-

Note : While discharging treated leachates into inland surface waters, quantity of leachates being discharged and the quantity of dilution water available in the receiving water body shall be given due consideration.

C. **Standards for incineration:** The Emission from incinerators /thermal technologies in Solid Waste treatment/disposal facility shall meet the following standards, namely:-

Parameter	Emission standard		
	(1)	(2)	(3)
<b>Particulates</b>	50 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
<b>HCl</b>	50 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
<b>SO<sub>2</sub></b>	200 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
<b>CO</b>	100 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
	50 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to daily average value	
<b>Total Organic Carbon</b>	20 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
<b>HF</b>	4 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
<b>NO<sub>x</sub> (NO and NO<sub>2</sub> expressed as NO<sub>2</sub>)</b>	400 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to half hourly average value	
<b>Total dioxins and furans</b>	0.1 ng TEQ/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to 6-8 hours sampling. Please refer guidelines for 17 concerned congeners for toxic equivalence values to arrive at total toxic equivalence.	
<b>Cd + Th + their compounds</b>	0.05 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to sampling time anywhere between 30 minutes and 8 hours.	
<b>Hg and its compounds</b>	0.05 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to sampling time anywhere between 30 minutes and 8 hours.	

<b>Sb + As + Pb + Cr + Co + Cu + Mn + Ni + V + their compounds</b>	0.5 mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	Standard refers to sampling time anywhere between 30 minutes and 8 hours.
<i>Note.- All values corrected to 11% oxygen on a dry basis.</i>		

**Note:**

- (a) Suitably designed pollution control devices shall be installed or retrofitted with the incinerator to achieve the above emission limits..
- (b) Waste to be incinerated shall not be chemically treated with any chlorinated disinfectants.
- (c) Incineration of chlorinated plastics shall be phased out within two years.
- (d) if the concentration of toxic metals in incineration ash exceeds the limits specified in the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Trans boundary Movement) Rules, 2008, as amended from time to time, the ash shall be sent to the hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility.
- (e) Only low sulphur fuel like LDO, LSHS, Diesel, bio-mass, coal, LNG, CNG, RDF and bio-gas shall be used as fuel in the incinerator.
- (f) The CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in tail gas shall not be more than 7%.
- (g) All the facilities in twin chamber incinerators shall be designed to achieve a minimum temperature of 950<sup>o</sup>C in secondary combustion chamber and with a gas residence time in secondary combustion chamber not less than 2 (two) seconds.
- (h) Incineration plants shall be operated (combustion chambers) with such temperature, retention time and turbulence, as to achieve total Organic Carbon (TOC) content in the slag and bottom ash less than 3%, or the loss on ignition is less than 5% of the dry weight.
- (i) Odour from sites shall be managed as per guidelines of CPCB issued from time to time

**FORM – I**

**[see rule 15 (v) 16 (1) (c), 21(3) ]**

**Application for obtaining authorisation under solid waste management rules for processing/recycling/treatment and disposal of solid waste**

To,  
 The Member Secretary,  
 State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee,  
 of.....  
 Sir,

I/We hereby apply for authorisation under the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 for processing, recycling, treatment and disposal of solid waste.

1.	Name of the local body/agency appointed by them/ operator of facility	
2.	Correspondence address Telephone No. Fax No. ,e-mail:	



3.	Nodal Officer & designation (Officer authorised by the local body or agency responsible for operation of processing/ treatment or disposal facility)	
4.	Authorisation required for setting up and operation of the facility (Please tick mark)	waste processing recycling treatment disposal at landfill
5.	Attach copies of the Documents Site clearance (local body) Proof of Environmental Clearance Consent for establishment Agreement between municipal authority and operating agency Investment on the project and expected return	
6.	<b>Processing/recycling/treatment of solid waste</b> (i) Total Quantity of waste to be processed per day Quantity of waste to be recycled Quantity of waste to be treated Quantity of waste to be disposed into landfill (ii) Utilisation programme for waste processed (Product utilisation) (iii) Methodology for disposal (attach details) Quantity of leachate Treatment technology for leachate (iv) Measures to be taken for prevention and control of environmental pollution (v) Measures to be taken for safety of workers working in the plant (vi) Details on solid waste processing/recycling/ treatment/disposal facility (to be attached)	
7.	<b>Disposal of solid waste</b> Number of sites identified Quantity of waste to be disposed per day Details of methodology or criteria followed for site selection (attach) Details of existing site under operation Methodology and operational details of landfilling Measures taken to check environmental pollution	
8.	Any other information.	

Date:

Place:

Signature:

Designation

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**Form- II**

[see rule 16 (1) (e) ]

**Format for issue of authorisation**

File No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorisation No**

To

Ref: Your application number \_\_\_\_\_ dt. \_\_\_\_\_

The \_\_\_\_\_ State Pollution Control Board/Pollution Control Committee after examining the proposal hereby authorises \_\_\_\_\_ having administrative office at \_\_\_\_\_ to set up and operate waste processing/recycling/ treatment/disposal facility at \_\_\_\_\_

The authorisation is hereby granted to operate the facility for processing, recycling, treatment and disposal of solid waste.

The authorisation is subject to the terms and conditions stated below and such conditions as may be otherwise specified in these rules and the standards laid down in Schedules I and II under these rules.

The \_\_\_\_\_ State Pollution Control Board/Pollution Control Committees of the UT \_\_\_\_\_ may, at any time, revoke any of the conditions applicable under the authorisation and shall communicate the same in writing.

Any violation of the provision of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 will attract the penal provision of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986).

(Member Secretary)

State Pollution Control Board/Pollution Control Committee of the UT

(Signature and designation)

Date:

Place:

**Form - III**

[see rule 19 (6), 24 (1) ]

**Format of annual report to be submitted by the operator of facility to the local body**

1	Name of the City/Town and State	
2	Population	
3	Area in sq. kilometers	
4	Name & Address of the local body Telephone No. Fax No. E-mail:	
5	Name and address of operator of the facility	
6	Name of officer in-charge of the facility Phone No: Fax No: E-mail:	

7	Number of households in the city/town , Number of non-residential premises in the city Number of election/ administrative wards in the city/town	
8	Quantity of Solid waste	
	Estimated Quantity of solid waste generated in the local body area per day in metric tones	/tpd
	Quantity of solid waste collected per day	/tpd
	Per capita waste collected per day	/gm/day
	Quantity of solid waste processed	/tpd
	Quantity of solid waste disposed at landfill	/tpd
9	Status of Solid Waste Management (SWM) service	
	Segregation and storage of waste at source Whether solid waste is stored at source in domestic/commercial/ institutional bins If yes, Percentage of households practice storage of waste at source in domestic bins Percentage of non-residential premises practice storage of waste at source in commercial /institutional bins Percentage of households dispose of throw solid waste on the streets Percentage of non-residential premises dispose of throw solid waste on the streets Whether solid waste is stored at source in a segregated form If yes, Percentage of premises segregating the waste at source	Yes/No % % % %
	Door to Door Collection of solid waste	
	Whether door to door collection (D2D) of solid waste is being done in the city/town	Yes/No
	if yes	
	Number of wards covered in D2D collection of waste	
	No. of households covered	
	No. of non-residential premises including commercial establishments ,hotels, restaurants educational institutions/ offices etc covered	

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Percentage of residential and non-residential premises covered in door to door collection through :					
Motorized vehicle					%
Containerized tricycle/handcart					%
Other device					%
If not, method of primary collection adopted					
Sweeping of streets					
Length of roads, streets, lanes, bye-lanes in the city that need to be cleaned					km
Frequency of street sweepings and percentage of population covered	frequency	Daily	Alternate days	Twice a week	Occasionally
	% of population covered				
Tools used					
Manual sweeping					%
Mechanical sweeping					%
Whether long handle broom used by sanitation workers					Yes/No
Whether each sanitation worker is given handcart/tricycle for collection of waste					Yes/No
Whether handcart / tricycle is containerized					Yes/No
Whether the collection tool synchronizes with collection/ waste storage containers utilized					Yes/No
Secondary Waste Storage facilities					
No. and type of waste storage depots in the city/town	No.	Capacity in m <sup>3</sup>			
Open waste storage sites					
Masonry bins					
Cement concrete cylinder bins					
Dhalao/covered rooms/space					
Covered metal/plastic containers					
Upto 1.1 m <sup>3</sup> bins					
2 to 5 m <sup>3</sup> bins					
Above 5m <sup>3</sup> containers					
Bin-less city					
Bin/ population ratio					

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Ward wise details of waste storage depots (attach) : Ward No: Area: Population: No. of bins placed Total volume of bins placed		
Total storage capacity of waste storage facilities in cubic meters		
Total waste actually stored at the waste storage depots daily		
Give frequency of collection of waste from the depots Number of bins cleared	Frequency	No. of bins
	Daily	
	Alternate day	
	Twice a week	
	Once a week	
	Occasionally	
Whether storage depots have facility for storage of segregated waste in green, blue and black bins	Yes/ No (if yes, add details) No. of green bins: No. of blue bins: No. of black bins:	
Whether lifting of solid waste from storage depots is manual or mechanical. Give percentage	(%) of Manual Lifting of SOLID WASTE	%
	(%) of Mechanical lifting	%
If mechanical – specify the method used	front-end loaders/ Top loaders	
Whether solid waste is lifted from door to door and transported to treatment plant directly in a segregated form	Yes/ No (if yes, specify)	

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Waste Transportation per day Type and Number of vehicles used (pl tick or add)	No. Trips made waste transported
Animal cart Tractors Non tipping Truck Tipping Truck Dumper Placers Refuse collectors Compactors Others JCB/loader	
Frequency of transportation of waste	Frequency (%) of waste transported Daily Alternate day Twice a week Once a week Occasionally
Quantity of waste transported each day	/tpd
Percentage of total waste transported daily	%
Waste Treatment Technologies used	
Whether solid waste is processed	Yes/No
If yes, Quantity of waste processed daily	/tpd
Land(s) available with the local body for waste processing (in Hectares)	
Land currently utilized for waste processing	
Solid waste processing facilities in operation	
Solid waste processing facilities under construction	
Distance of processing facilities from city/town boundary	
Details of technologies adopted	



Composting ,	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Qty. of residual waste landfilled
vermi composting	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Bio-methanation	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Refuse Derived Fuel	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Waste to Energy technology such as incineration, gasification, pyrolysis or any other technology ( give detail)	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Co-processing	Qty. raw material processed
Combustible waste supplied to cement plant	
Combustible waste supplied to solid waste based power plants	
Others	Qty.
Solid waste disposal facilities	
No. of dumpsites sites available with the local body	
No. of sanitary landfill sites available with the local body	
Area of each such sites available for waste disposal	
Area of land currently used for waste disposal	
Distance of dumpsite/landfill facility from city/town	kms
Distance from the nearest habitation	kms
Distance from water body	kms



	Distance from state/national highway	kms
	Distance from Airport	kms
	Distance from important religious places or historical monument	kms
	Whether it falls in flood prone area	Yes/No
	Whether it falls in earthquake fault line area	Yes/No
	Quantity of waste landfilled each day	tpd
	Whether landfill site is fenced	Yes / No
	Whether Lighting facility is available on site	Yes / No
	Whether Weigh bridge facility available	Yes / No
	Vehicles and equipments used at landfill (specify)	Bulldozer, Compacters etc. available
	Manpower deployed at landfill site	Yes/No (if yes, attach details)
	Whether covering is done on daily basis	Yes/No
	If not, Frequency of covering the waste deposited at the landfill	
	Cover material used	
	Whether adequate covering material is available	Yes/No
	Provisions for gas venting provided	Yes/No, (if yes, attach technical data sheet)
	Provision for leachate collection	Yes/No, (if yes, attach technical data sheet)
10	Whether an Action Plan has been prepared for improving solid waste management practices in the city	Yes/No (if Yes attach Action Plan details)
11	What separate provisions are made for : Dairy related activities : Slaughter houses waste : C&D waste (construction debris) :	Attach details on Proposals, Steps taken, Yes/No Yes/No Yes/No
12	Details of Post Closure Plan	Attach Plan
13	How many slums are identified and whether these are provided with Solid Waste Management facilities :	Yes/ No (if Yes, attach details)
14	Give details of manpower deployed for collection including street sweeping, secondary storage, transportation, processing and disposal of waste	

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15	Mention briefly, the difficulties being experienced by the local body in complying with provisions of these rules	
16	Mention briefly, if any innovative idea is implemented to tackle a problem related to solid waste, which could be replicated by other local bodies.	

Signature of Operator

Dated :

Place:

**Form - IV**

[see rules 15(za), 24(2)]

**Format for annual report on solid waste management to be submitted by the local body**

<b>CALENDAR YEAR:</b>	<b>DATE OF SUBMISSION OF REPORT:</b>

1	Name of the City/Town and State	
2	Population	
3	Area in sq. kilometers	
4	Name & Address of local body Telephone No. Fax No. E-mail:	
5	Name of officer in-charge dealing with solid waste management (SOLID WASTEM)Phone No: Fax No: E-mail:	
6	Number of households in the city/town Number of non-residential premises in the city Number of election/ administrative wards in the city/town	
7	Quantity of Solid waste (solid waste)	
	Estimated Quantity of solid waste generated in the local body area per day in metric tones	/tpd
	Quantity of solid waste collected per day	/tpd



	Per capita waste collected per day	/gm/day
	Quantity of solid waste processed	/tpd
	Quantity of solid waste disposed at dumpsite/ landfill	/tpd
8	Status of Solid Waste Management service	
	Segregation and storage of waste at source Whether SOLID WASTE is stored at source in domestic/commercial/ institutional bins, If yes, Percentage of households practice storage of waste at source in domestic bins Percentage of non-residential premises practice storage of waste at source in commercial /institutional bins Percentage of households dispose or throw solid waste on the streets Percentage of non-residential premises dispose of throw solid waste on the streets Whether solid waste is stored at source in a segregated form, If yes, Percentage of premises segregating the waste at source	Yes/No  % % % % Yes/No %
	Door to Door Collection of solid waste	
	Whether door to door collection (D2D) of solid waste is being done in the city/town	Yes/No
	if yes	
	Number of wards covered in D2D collection of waste	
	No. of households covered	
	No. of non-residential premises including commercial establishments ,hotels, restaurants educational institutions/ offices etc covered	
	Percentage of residential and non-residential premises covered in door to door collection through : Motorized vehicle Containerized tricycle/handcart Other device	 % % %
	If not, method of primary collection adopted	
	Sweeping of streets	
	Length of roads, streets, lanes, bye-lanes in the city that need to be cleaned	km



Frequency of street sweepings and percentage of population covered	frequency	Daily	Alternate days	Twice a week	Occasionally
	% of population covered				
Tools used					
Manual sweeping	%				
Mechanical sweeping	%				
Whether long handle broom used by sanitation workers	Yes/No				
Whether each sanitation worker is given handcart/tricycle for collection of waste	Yes/No				
Whether handcart / tricycle is containerized	Yes/No				
Whether the collection tool synchronizes with collection/ waste storage containers utilized	Yes/No				
Secondary Waste Storage facilities					
No. and type of waste storage depots in the city/town	No.	Capacity in m <sup>3</sup>			
Open waste storage sites					
Masonry bins					
Cement concrete cylinder bins					
Dhalao/covered rooms/space					
Covered metal/plastic containers					
Upto 1.1 m <sup>3</sup> bins					
2 to 5 m <sup>3</sup> bins					
Above 5m <sup>3</sup> containers					
Bin-less city					
Bin/ population ratio					
Ward wise details of waste storage depots (attach) :					
Ward No:					
Area:					
Population:					
No. of bins placed					
Total volume of bins placed					
Total storage capacity of waste storage facilities in cubic meters					
Total waste actually stored at the waste storage depots daily					

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Give frequency of collection of waste from the depots Number of bins cleared	Frequency	No. of bins
	Daily	
	Alternate day	
	Twice a week	
	Once a week	
	Occasionally	
Whether storage depots have facility for storage of segregated waste in green, blue and black bins	Yes/ No (if yes, add details) No. of green bins: No. of blue bins: No. of black bins:	
Whether lifting of solid waste from storage depots is manual or mechanical. Give percentage (%) of Manual Lifting of solid waste (%) of Mechanical lifting	%	
If mechanical – specify the method used	front-end loaders/ Top loaders	
Whether solid waste is lifted from door to door and transported to treatment plant directly in a segregated form	Yes/ No (if yes, specify)	
Waste transportation per day Type and Number of vehicles used	No. Trips made waste transported	
Animal cart Tractors Non tipping Truck Tipping Truck Dumper Placers Refuse collectors Compactors Others JCB/loader		

Frequency of transportation of waste	Frequency (%) of waste transported Daily Alternate day Twice a week Once a week Occasionally
Quantity of waste transported each day	/tpd
Percentage of total waste transported daily	%
Waste Treatment Technologies used	
Whether solid waste is processed	Yes/No
If yes, Quantity of waste processed daily	/tpd
Whether treatment is done by local body or through an agency	
Land(s) available with the local body for waste processing (in Hectares)	
Land currently utilized for waste processing	
Solid waste processing facilities in operation	
Solid waste processing facilities under construction	
Distance of processing facilities from city/town boundary	
Details of technologies adopted	
Composting ,	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Vermi composting	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Bio-methanation	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled



Refuse Derived Fuel	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Waste to Energy technology such as incineration, gasification, pyrolysis or any other technology ( give detail)	Qty. raw material processed Qty. final product produced Qty. sold Quantity of residual waste landfilled
Co-processing	Qty. raw material processed
Combustible waste supplied to cement plant	
Combustible waste supplied to solid waste based power plants	
Others	Qty.
Solid waste disposal facilities	
No. of dumpsites sites available with the local body	
No. of sanitary landfill sites available with the local body	
Area of each such sites available for waste disposal	
Area of land currently used for waste disposal	
Distance of dumpsite/landfill facility from city/town	kms
Distance from the nearest habitation	kms
Distance from water body	kms
Distance from state/national highway	kms
Distance from Airport	kms
Distance from important religious places or historical monument	kms
Whether it falls in flood prone area	Yes/No
Whether it falls in earthquake fault line area	Yes/No
Quantity of waste landfilled each day	tpd
Whether landfill site is fenced	Yes / No
Whether Lighting facility is available on site	Yes / No



	Whether Weigh bridge facility available	Yes / No
	Vehicles and equipments used at landfill (specify)	Bulldozer, Compacters etc. available
	Manpower deployed at landfill site	Yes/No (if yes, attach details)
	Whether covering is done on daily basis	Yes/No
	If not, Frequency of covering the waste deposited at the landfill	
	Cover material used	
	Whether adequate covering material is available	Yes/No
	Provisions for gas venting provided	Yes/No (if yes, attach technical data sheet)
	Provision for leachate collection	Yes/No (if yes, attach technical data sheet)
9	Whether an Action Plan has been prepared for improving solid waste management practices in the city	Yes/No (if Yes attach Action Plan details)
10	What separate provisions are made for : Dairy related activities : Slaughter houses waste : C&D waste (construction debris) :	Attach details on Proposals, Steps taken, Yes/No Yes/No Yes/No
11	Details of Post Closure Plan	Attach Plan
12	How many slums are identified and whether these are provided with Solid Waste Management facilities :	Yes/ No (if Yes, attach details)
13	Give details of: Local body's own manpower deployed for collection including street sweeping, secondary storage, transportation, processing and disposal of waste	
14	Give details of: Contractor/ concessionaire's manpower deployed for collection including street sweeping, secondary storage, transportation, processing and disposal of waste	
15	Mention briefly, the difficulties being experienced by the local body in complying with provisions of these rules	

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[PART II—SEC. 3(ii)]

16	Mention briefly, if any innovative idea is implemented to tackle a problem related to solid waste, which could be replicated by other local bodies	
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Signature of CEO/Municipal Commissioner/  
Executive Officer/Chief Officer

Date:

Place:

**Form – V**

[see rule 24(3)]

**Format of annual report to be submitted by the state pollution control board or pollution control committee committees to the central pollution control board**

**PART A**

To,

The Chairman  
Central Pollution Control Board  
Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar  
DELHI- 110 0032

1.	Name of the State/Union territory	:	
2.	Name & address of the State Pollution Control	:	
3.	Number of local bodies responsible for management of solid waste in the State/Union territory under these rules	:	
4.	No. of authorisation application Received	:	
5.	A Summary Statement on progress made by local body in respect of solid waste management	:	Please attach as Annexure-I
6.	A Summary Statement on progress made by local bodies in respect of waste collection, segregation, transportation and disposal	:	Please attach as Annexure-II
7.	A summary statement on progress made by local bodies in respect of implementation of Schedule II	:	Please attach as Annexure-III



Date: .....	Chairman or the Member Secretary
Place: .....	State Pollution Control Board/ Pollution Control Committee

**PART B****Towns/cities**

Total number of towns/cities

Total number of ULBs

Number of class I &amp; class II cities/towns

**Authorisation status (names/number)**

Number of applications received

Number of authorisations granted

Authorisations under scrutiny

**SOLID WASTE Generation status**

Solid waste generation in the state (TPD)

collected

treated

landfilled

**Compliance to Schedule I of SW Rules (Number/names of towns/capacity)**

Good practices in cities/towns

House-to-house collection

Segregation

Storage

Covered transportation

**Processing of SW (Number/names of towns/capacity)**

Solid Waste processing facilities setup:

Sl. No.	Composting	Vermi-composting	Biogas	RDF/Pelletization

Processing facility operational:

Sl. No.	Composting	Vermi-composting	Biogas	RDF/Pelletization

Processing facility under installation/planned:

Sl. No.	Composting	Vermi-composting	Biogas	RDF/Pelletisation

**Waste-to-Energy Plants: (Number/names of towns/capacity)**

Sl. No.	Plant Location	Status of operation	Power generation (MW)	Remarks

**Disposal of solid waste (number/names of towns/capacity):**

Landfill sites identified

Landfill constructed

Landfill under construction

Landfill in operation

Landfill exhausted

Landfilled capped

**Solid Waste Dumpsites (number/names of towns/capacity):**

Total number of existing dumpsites

Dumpsites reclaimed/capped

Dumpsites converted to sanitary landfill

**Monitoring at Waste processing/Landfills sites**

Sl. No.	Name of facilities	Ambient air	Groundwater	Leachate quality	Compost quality	VOCs
1.						
2.						
3.						

**Status of Action Plan prepared by Municipalities**

Total number of municipalities:

Number of Action Plan submitted:

**Form – VI**

[see rule 25]

**Accident Reporting**

1.	Date and time of accident	:	
2.	Sequence of events leading to accident	:	
3.	The waste involved in accident	:	



4.	Assessment of the effects of the accidents on human health and the environment	:	
5.	Emergency measures taken	:	
6.	Steps taken to alleviate the effects of accidents	:	
7.	Steps taken to prevent the recurrence of such an accident	:	
Date: .....		Signature:.....	
Place: .....		Designation: .....	

[F. No. 18-3/2004-HSMD]

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# Office of the Councillors of Mal Municipality

P.O. MAL, DIST. JALPAIGURI, PIN - 735 221

**ESTD. - 1989**

Ref. No. MM/C/661/2025-26

Date 06/08/2025

## Report regarding general waste collection of Mal SS Hospital

Mal Municipality is responsible only for the collection of general waste (such as kitchen waste and food leftovers, etc other than bio medical waste) from Mal SS Hospital. Mal Municipality doesn't have any active SWM plant till date (A new SWM plant is under construction) so we collect the general waste of Mal SS Hospital at regular interval of time and stacked at ward no 13 under this Municipality.

Biomedical waste of Mal SS Hospital cannot be collected by Mal Municipality and must be managed separately by the hospital in accordance with biomedical waste management regulations. Though it has been observed that few blue, yellow and red coloured poly bags were present with the general waste, but Mal Municipality does not collect any such coloured bags other than the general waste, because the blue yellow and red coloured poly bags may contain bio medical waste.

Received  
06/08/25

06/08/25  
Mal Municipality

"Annexure - c"



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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

**G.S.R. 343(E).**-Whereas the Bio-Medical Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 1998 was published *vide* notification number S.O. 630 (E) dated the 20<sup>th</sup> July, 1998, by the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forests, provided a regulatory frame work for management of bio-medical waste generated in the country;

And whereas, to implement these rules more effectively and to improve the collection, segregation, processing, treatment and disposal of these bio-medical wastes in an environmentally sound management thereby, reducing the bio- medical waste generation and its impact on the environment, the Central Government reviewed the existing rules;

And whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 6, 8 and 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), the Central Government published the draft rules in the Gazette *vide* number G.S.R. 450 (E), dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015 inviting objections or suggestions from the public within sixty days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the said notification were made available to the public;

And whereas, the copies of the Gazette containing the said draft rules were made available to the public on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015;

And whereas, the objections or comments received within the specified period from the public in respect of the said draft rules have been duly considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 6, 8 and 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), and in supersession of the Bio-Medical Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 1998, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such suppression, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

**1. Short title and commencement.**- (1) these rules may be called the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

**2. Application.**-

(1) These rules shall apply to all persons who generate, collect, receive, store, transport, treat, dispose, or handle bio medical waste in any form including hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, dispensaries, veterinary institutions, animal houses, pathological laboratories, blood banks, a/ush

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hospitals, clinical establishments, research or educational institutions, health camps, medical or surgical camps, vaccination camps, blood donation camps, first aid rooms of schools, forensic laboratories and research labs.

(2). These rules shall not apply to,-

- (a) radioactive wastes as covered under the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act, 1962(33 of 1962) and the rules made there under;
- (b) hazardous chemicals covered under the Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules, 1989 made under the Act;
- (c) solid wastes covered under the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 made under the Act;
- (d) the lead acid batteries covered under the Batteries (Management and Handling) Rules, 2001 made under the Act;
- (e) hazardous wastes covered under the Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 made under the Act;
- (f) waste covered under the e-Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2011 made under the Act; and
- (g) hazardous micro organisms, genetically engineered micro organisms and cells covered under the Manufacture, Use, Import, Export and Storage of Hazardous Microorganisms, Genetically Engineered Micro organisms or Cells Rules, 1989 made under the Act.

3. **Definitions.-** In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires, -

- (a) "Act" means the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986);
- (b) "animal house" means a place where animals are reared or kept for the purpose of experiments or testing;
- (c) "authorisation" means permission granted by the prescribed authority for the generation, collection, reception, storage, transportation, treatment, processing, disposal or any other form of handling of bio-medical waste in accordance with these rules and guidelines issued by the Central Government or Central Pollution Control Board as the case may be;
- (d) "authorised person" means an occupier or operator authorised by the prescribed authority to generate, collect, receive, store, transport, treat, process, dispose or handle bio-medical waste in accordance with these rules and the guidelines issued by the Central Government or the Central Pollution Control Board, as the case may be;

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- (e) "biological" means any preparation made from organisms or micro-organisms or product of metabolism and biochemical reactions intended for use in the diagnosis, immunisation or the treatment of human beings or animals or in research activities pertaining thereto;
- (f) "bio-medical waste" means any waste, which is generated during the diagnosis, treatment or immunisation of human beings or animals or research activities pertaining thereto or in the production or testing of biological or in health camps, including the categories mentioned in Schedule I appended to these rules;
- (g) "bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility" means any facility wherein treatment, disposal of bio-medical waste or processes incidental to such treatment and disposal is carried out, and includes common bio-medical waste treatment facilities;
- (h) "Form" means the Form appended to these rules;
- (i) "handling" in relation to bio-medical waste includes the generation, sorting, segregation, collection, use, storage, packaging, loading, transportation, unloading, processing, treatment, destruction, conversion, or offering for sale, transfer, disposal of such waste;
- (j) "health care facility" means a place where diagnosis, treatment or immunisation of human beings or animals is provided irrespective of type and size of health treatment system, and research activity pertaining thereto;
- (k) "major accident" means accident occurring while handling of bio-medical waste having potential to affect large masses of public and includes toppling of the truck carrying bio-medical waste, accidental release of bio-medical waste in any water body but exclude accidents like needle prick injuries, mercury spills;
- (l) "management" includes all steps required to ensure that bio- medical waste is managed in such a manner as to protect health and environment against any adverse effects due to handling of such waste;
- (m) "occupier" means a person having administrative control over the institution and the premises generating bio-medical waste, which includes a hospital, nursing home, clinic, dispensary, veterinary institution, animal house, pathological laboratory, blood bank, health care facility and clinical establishment, irrespective of their system of medicine and by whatever name they are called;
- (n) "operator of a common bio-medical waste treatment facility" means a person who owns or controls a Common Bio-medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBMWTF) for the collection, reception, storage, transport, treatment, disposal or any other form of handling of bio-medical waste;
- (o) "prescribed authority" means the State Pollution Control Board in respect of a State and Pollution Control Committees in respect of an Union territory;
- (p) "Schedule" means the Schedule appended to these rules.



4. **Duties of the Occupier.**- It shall be the duty of every occupier to-
- (a) take all necessary steps to ensure that bio-medical waste is handled without any adverse effect to human health and the environment and in accordance with these rules;
  - (b) make a provision within the premises for a safe, ventilated and secured location for storage of segregated biomedical waste in colored bags or containers in the manner as specified in Schedule I, to ensure that there shall be no secondary handling, pilferage of recyclables or inadvertent scattering or spillage by animals and the bio-medical waste from such place or premises shall be directly transported in the manner as prescribed in these rules to the common bio-medical waste treatment facility or for the appropriate treatment and disposal, as the case may be, in the manner as prescribed in Schedule I;
  - (c) pre-treat the laboratory waste, microbiological waste, blood samples and blood bags through disinfection or sterilisation on-site in the manner as prescribed by the World Health Organisation (WHO) or National AIDs Control Organisation (NACO) guidelines and then sent to the common bio-medical waste treatment facility for final disposal;
  - (d) phase out use of chlorinated plastic bags, gloves and blood bags within two years from the date of notification of these rules;
  - (e) dispose of solid waste other than bio-medical waste in accordance with the provisions of respective waste management rules made under the relevant laws and amended from time to time;
  - (f) not to give treated bio-medical waste with municipal solid waste;
  - (g) provide training to all its health care workers and others, involved in handling of bio medical waste at the time of induction and thereafter at least once every year and the details of training programmes conducted, number of personnel trained and number of personnel not undergone any training shall be provided in the Annual Report;
  - (h) immunise all its health care workers and others, involved in handling of bio-medical waste for protection against diseases including Hepatitis B and Tetanus that are likely to be transmitted by handling of bio-medical waste, in the manner as prescribed in the National Immunisation Policy or the guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare issued from time to time;
  - (i) establish a Bar- Code System for bags or containers containing bio-medical waste to be sent out of the premises or place for any purpose within one year from the date of the notification of these rules;
  - (j) ensure segregation of liquid chemical waste at source and ensure pre-treatment or neutralisation prior to mixing with other effluent generated from health care facilities;
  - (k) ensure treatment and disposal of liquid waste in accordance with the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 ( 6 of 1974);



- (l) ensure occupational safety of all its health care workers and others involved in handling of bio-medical waste by providing appropriate and adequate personal protective equipments;
- (m) conduct health check up at the time of induction and at least once in a year for all its health care workers and others involved in handling of bio- medical waste and maintain the records for the same;
- (n) maintain and update on day to day basis the bio-medical waste management register and display the monthly record on its website according to the bio-medical waste generated in terms of category and colour coding as specified in Schedule I;
- (o) report major accidents including accidents caused by fire hazards, blasts during handling of bio-medical waste and the remedial action taken and the records relevant thereto, (including nil report) in Form I to the prescribed authority **and also** along with the annual report;
- (p) make available the annual report on its web-site and all the health care facilities shall make own website within two years from the date of notification of these rules;
- (q) inform the prescribed authority immediately in case the operator of a facility does not collect the bio-medical waste within the intended time or as per the agreed time;
- (r) establish a system to review and monitor the activities related to bio-medical waste management, either through an existing committee or by forming a new committee and the Committee shall meet once in every six months and the record of the minutes of the meetings of this committee shall be submitted along with the annual report to the prescribed authority and the healthcare establishments having less than thirty beds shall designate a qualified person to review and monitor the activities relating to bio-medical waste management within that establishment and submit the annual report;
- (s) maintain all record for operation of incineration, hydro or autoclaving etc., for a period of five years;
- (t) existing incinerators to achieve the standards for treatment and disposal of bio-medical waste as specified in Schedule II for retention time in secondary chamber and Dioxin and Furans within two years from the date of this notification.

**5. Duties of the operator of a common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility.**-It shall be the duty of every operator to -

- (a) take all necessary steps to ensure that the bio-medical waste collected from the occupier is transported, handled, stored, treated and disposed of, without any adverse effect to the human health and the environment, in accordance with these rules and guidelines issued by the Central Government or, as the case may be, the central pollution control board from time to time;
- (b) ensure timely collection of bio-medical waste from the occupier as prescribed under these rules;
- (c) establish bar coding and global positioning system for handling of bio- medical waste within one year;



- (d) inform the prescribed authority immediately regarding the occupiers which are not handing over the segregated bio-medical waste in accordance with these rules;
  - (e) provide training for all its workers involved in handling of bio-medical waste at the time of induction and at least once a year thereafter;
  - (f) assist the occupier in training conducted by them for bio-medical waste management;
  - (g) undertake appropriate medical examination at the time of induction and at least once in a year and immunise all its workers involved in handling of bio-medical waste for protection against diseases, including Hepatitis B and Tetanus, that are likely to be transmitted while handling bio-medical waste and maintain the records for the same;
  - (h) ensure occupational safety of all its workers involved in handling of bio-medical waste by providing appropriate and adequate personal protective equipment;
  - (i) report major accidents including accidents caused by fire hazards, blasts during handling of bio-medical waste and the remedial action taken and the records relevant thereto, (including nil report) in Form I to the prescribed authority **and also** along with the annual report;
  - (i) maintain a log book for each of its treatment equipment according to weight of batch; categories of waste treated; time, date and duration of treatment cycle and total hours of operation;
  - (k) allow occupier, who are giving waste for treatment to the operator, to see whether the treatment is carried out as per the rules;
  - (l) shall display details of authorisation, treatment, annual report etc on its web-site;
  - (m) after ensuring treatment by autoclaving or microwaving followed by mutilation or shredding, whichever is applicable, the recyclables from the treated bio-medical wastes such as plastics and glass, shall be given to recyclers having valid consent or authorisation or registration from the respective State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee;
  - (n) supply non-chlorinated plastic coloured bags to the occupier on chargeable basis, if required;
  - (o) common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall ensure collection of biomedical waste on holidays also;
  - (p) maintain all record for operation of incineration, hydroor autoclaving for a period of five years; and
  - (q) upgrade existing incinerators to achieve the standards for retention time in secondary chamber and Dioxin and Furans within two years from the date of this notification.
6. **Duties of authorities.**-The Authority specified in column (2) of Schedule-III shall perform the duties as specified in column (3) thereof in accordance with the provisions of these rules.

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7. **Treatment and disposal.**- (1) Bio-medical waste shall be treated and disposed of in accordance with Schedule I, and in compliance with the standards provided in Schedule-II by the health care facilities and common bio-medical waste treatment facility.

(2) Occupier shall hand over segregated waste as per the Schedule-I to common bio-medical waste treatment facility for treatment, processing and final disposal:

Provided that the lab and highly infectious bio-medical waste generated shall be pre-treated by equipment like autoclave or microwave.

(3) No occupier shall establish on-site treatment and disposal facility, if a service of common bio-medical waste treatment facility is available at a distance of seventy-five kilometer.

(4) In cases where service of the common bio-medical waste treatment facility is not available, the Occupiers shall set up requisite biomedical waste treatment equipment like incinerator, autoclave or microwave, shredder prior to commencement of its operation, as per the authorisation given by the prescribed authority.

(5) Any person including an occupier or operator of a common bio medical waste treatment facility, intending to use new technologies for treatment of bio medical waste other than those listed in Schedule I shall request the Central Government for laying down the standards or operating parameters.

(6) On receipt of a request referred to in sub-rule (5), the Central Government may determine the standards and operating parameters for new technology which may be published in Gazette by the Central Government.

(7) Every operator of common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall set up requisite biomedical waste treatment equipments like incinerator, autoclave or microwave, shredder and effluent treatment plant as a part of treatment, prior to commencement of its operation.

(8) Every occupier shall phase out use of non-chlorinated plastic bags within two years from the date of publication of these rules and after two years from such publication of these rules, the chlorinated plastic bags shall not be used for storing and transporting of bio-medical waste and the occupier or operator of a common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall not dispose of such plastics by incineration and the bags used for storing and transporting biomedical waste shall be in compliance with the Bureau of Indian Standards. Till the Standards are published, the carry bags shall be as per the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2011.

(9) After ensuring treatment by autoclaving or microwaving followed by mutilation or shredding, whichever is applicable, the recyclables from the treated bio-medical wastes such as plastics and glass shall be given to such recyclers having valid authorisation or registration from the respective prescribed authority.

(10) The Occupier or Operator of a common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall maintain a record of recyclable wastes referred to in sub-rule (9) which are auctioned or sold and the same shall be submitted to the prescribed authority as part of its annual report. The record shall be open for inspection by the prescribed authorities.



- (11) The handling and disposal of all the mercury waste and lead waste shall be in accordance with the respective rules and regulations.

**8. Segregation, packaging, transportation and storage.**-(1) No untreated bio-medical waste shall be mixed with other wastes.

- (2) The bio-medical waste shall be segregated into containers or bags at the point of generation in accordance with Schedule I prior to its storage, transportation, treatment and disposal.
- (3) The containers or bags referred to in sub-rule (2) shall be labeled as specified in Schedule IV.
- (4) Bar code and global positioning system shall be added by the Occupier and common bio-medical waste treatment facility in one year time.
- (5) The operator of common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall transport the bio-medical waste from the premises of an occupier to any off-site bio-medical waste treatment facility only in the vehicles having label as provided in part 'A' of the Schedule IV along with necessary information as specified in part 'B' of the Schedule IV.
- (6) The vehicles used for transportation of bio-medical waste shall comply with the conditions if any stipulated by the State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee in addition to the requirement contained in the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988), if any or the rules made there under for transportation of such infectious waste.
- (7) Untreated human anatomical waste, animal anatomical waste, soiled waste and, biotechnology waste shall not be stored beyond a period of forty –eight hours:

Provided that in case for any reason it becomes necessary to store such waste beyond such a period, the occupier shall take appropriate measures to ensure that the waste does not adversely affect human health and the environment and inform the prescribed authority along with the reasons for doing so.

- (8) Microbiology waste and all other clinical laboratory waste shall be pre-treated by sterilisation to Log 6 or disinfection to Log 4, as per the World Health Organisation guidelines before packing and sending to the common bio-medical waste treatment facility.

**9. Prescribed authority.**-(1) The prescribed authority for implementation of the provisions of these rules shall be the State Pollution Control Boards in respect of States and Pollution Control Committees in respect of Union territories.

- (2) The prescribed authority for enforcement of the provisions of these rules in respect of all health care establishments including hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, dispensaries, veterinary institutions, animal houses, pathological laboratories and blood banks of the Armed Forces under the Ministry of Defence shall be the Director General, Armed Forces Medical Services, who shall function under the supervision and control of the Ministry of Defence.



- (3) The prescribed authorities shall comply with the responsibilities as stipulated in Schedule III of these rules.

**10. Procedure for authorisation.**-Every occupier or operator handling bio-medical waste, irrespective of the quantity shall make an application in Form II to the prescribed authority i.e. State Pollution Control Board and Pollution Control Committee, as the case may be, for grant of authorisation and the prescribed authority shall grant the provisional authorisation in Form III and the validity of such authorisation for bedded health care facility and operator of a common facility shall be synchronised with the validity of the consents.

- (1) The authorisation shall be one time for non-bedded occupiers and the authorisation in such cases shall be deemed to have been granted, if not objected by the prescribed authority within a period of ninety days from the date of receipt of duly completed application along with such necessary documents.
- (2) In case of refusal of renewal, cancellation or suspension of the authorisation by the prescribed authority, the reasons shall be recorded in writing:

Provided that the prescribed authority shall give an opportunity of being heard to the applicant before such refusal of the authorisation.

- (3) Every application for authorisation shall be disposed of by the prescribed authority within a period of ninety days from the date of receipt of duly completed application along with such necessary documents, failing which it shall be deemed that the authorisation is granted under these rules.
- (4) In case of any change in the bio-medical waste generation, handling, treatment and disposal for which authorisation was earlier granted, the occupier or operator shall intimate to the prescribed authority about the change or variation in the activity and shall submit a fresh application in Form II for modification of the conditions of authorisation.

**11. Advisory Committee.**-(1) Every State Government or Union territory Administration shall constitute an Advisory Committee for the respective State or Union territory under the chairmanship of the respective health secretary to oversee the implementation of the rules in the respective state and to advise any improvements and the Advisory Committee shall include representatives from the Departments of Health, Environment, Urban Development, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences of that State Government or Union territory Administration, State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee, urban local bodies or local bodies or Municipal Corporation, representatives from Indian Medical Association, common bio-medical waste treatment facility and non-governmental organisation.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), the Ministry of Defence shall constitute the Advisory Committee (Defence) under the chairmanship of Director General of Health Services of Armed Forces consisting of representatives from the Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Central Pollution Control Board, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Armed Forces Medical College or Command Hospital.



- (3) The Advisory Committee constituted under sub-rule (1) and (2) shall meet at least once in six months and review all matters related to implementation of the provisions of these rules in the State and Armed Forces Health Care Facilities, as the case may be.
- (4) The Ministry of Health and Defence may co-opt representatives from the other Governmental and non-governmental organisations having expertise in the field of bio-medical waste management.

**12. Monitoring of implementation of the rules in health care facilities.-** (1) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change shall review the implementation of the rules in the country once in a year through the State Health Secretaries and Chairmen or Member Secretary of State Pollution Control Boards and Central Pollution Control Board and the Ministry may also invite experts in the field of bio-medical waste management, if required.

- (2) The Central Pollution Control Board shall monitor the implementation of these rules in respect of all the Armed Forces health care establishments under the Ministry of Defence.
- (3) The Central Pollution Control Board along with one or more representatives of the Advisory Committee constituted under sub-rule (2) of rule 11, may inspect any Armed Forces health care establishments after prior intimation to the Director General Armed Forces Medical Services.
- (4) Every State Government or Union territory Administration shall constitute District Level Monitoring Committee in the districts under the chairmanship of District Collector or District Magistrate or Deputy Commissioner or Additional District Magistrate to monitor the compliance of the provisions of these rules in the health care facilities generating bio-medical waste and in the common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facilities, where the bio-medical waste is treated and disposed of.
- (5) The District Level Monitoring Committee constituted under sub-rule (4) shall submit its report once in six months to the State Advisory Committee and a copy thereof shall also be forwarded to State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee concerned for taking further necessary action.
- (6) The District Level Monitoring Committee shall comprise of District Medical Officer or District Health Officer, representatives from State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committee, Public Health Engineering Department, local bodies or municipal corporation, Indian Medical Association, common bio-medical waste treatment facility and registered non-governmental organisations working in the field of bio-medical waste management and the Committee may co-opt other members and experts, if necessary and the District Medical Officer shall be the Member Secretary of this Committee.

**13. Annual report.-**(1) Every occupier or operator of common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall submit an annual report to the prescribed authority in Form-IV, on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> June of every year.

- (2) The prescribed authority shall compile, review and analyse the information received and send this information to the Central Pollution Control Board on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> July of every year.



(3) The Central Pollution Control Board shall compile, review and analyse the information received and send this information, along with its comments or suggestions or observations to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August every year.

(4) The Annual Reports shall also be available online on the websites of Occupiers, State Pollution Control Boards and Central Pollution Control Board.

**14. Maintenance of records.-** (1) Every authorised person shall maintain records related to the generation, collection, reception, storage, transportation, treatment, disposal or any other form of handling of bio-medical waste, for a period of five years, in accordance with these rules and guidelines issued by the Central Government or the Central Pollution Control Board or the prescribed authority as the case may be.

(2) All records shall be subject to inspection and verification by the prescribed authority or the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change at any time.

**15. Accident reporting.-** (1) In case of any major accident at any institution or facility or any other site while handling bio-medical waste, the authorised person shall intimate immediately to the prescribed authority about such accident and forward a report within twenty-four hours in writing regarding the remedial steps taken in Form I.

(2) Information regarding all other accidents and remedial steps taken shall be provided in the annual report in accordance with rule 13 by the occupier.

**16. Appeal.-**(1) Any person aggrieved by an order made by the prescribed authority under these rules may, within a period of thirty days from the date on which the order is communicated to him, prefer an appeal in Form V to the Secretary (Environment) of the State Government or Union territory administration .

(2) Any person aggrieved by an order of the Director General Armed Forces Medical Services under these rules may, within thirty days from the date on which the order is communicated to him, prefer an appeal in Form V to the Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

(3) The authority referred to in sub-para (1) and (2) as the case may be, may entertain the appeal after the expiry of the said period of thirty days, if it is satisfied that the appellant was prevented by sufficient cause from filing the appeal in time.

(4) The appeal shall be disposed of within a period of ninety days from the date of its filing.

**17. Site for common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility.-**(1) Without prejudice to rule 5 of these rules, the department in the business allocation of land assignment shall be responsible for providing suitable site for setting up of common biomedical waste treatment and disposal facility in the State Government or Union territory Administration.

(2) The selection of site for setting up of such facility shall be made in consultation with the prescribed authority, other stakeholders and in accordance with guidelines published by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change or Central Pollution Control Board.

18. **Liability of the occupier, operator of a facility.**- (1) The occupier or an operator of a common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall be liable for all the damages caused to the environment or the public due to improper handling of bio- medical wastes.

(2) The occupier or operator of common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall be liable for action under section 5 and section 15 of the Act, in case of any violation.

**SCHEDULE I**

[See rules 3 (e), 4(b), 7(1), 7(2), 7(5), 7 (6) and 8(2)]

**Part-1**

**Biomedical wastes categories and their segregation, collection, treatment, processing and disposal options**

Category	Type of Waste	Type of Bag or Container to be used	Treatment and Disposal options
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Yellow	<b>(a) Human Anatomical Waste:</b> Human tissues, organs, body parts and fetus below the viability period (as per the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act 1971, amended from time to time).	Yellow coloured non-chlorinated plastic bags	Incineration or Plasma Pyrolysis or deep burial*
	<b>(b)Animal Anatomical Waste :</b> Experimental animal carcasses, body parts, organs, tissues, including the waste generated from animals used in experiments or testing in veterinary hospitals or colleges or animal houses.		
	<b>(c) Soiled Waste:</b> Items contaminated with blood, body fluids like dressings, plaster casts, cotton swabs and		Incineration or Plasma Pyrolysis or deep burial*  In absence of above facilities, autoclaving or micro-waving/



	bags containing residual or discarded blood and blood components.		hydroclaving followed by shredding or mutilation or combination of sterilization and shredding. Treated waste to be sent for energy recovery.
	<b>(d) Expired or Discarded Medicines:</b> Pharmaceutical waste like antibiotics, cytotoxic drugs including all items contaminated with cytotoxic drugs along with glass or plastic ampoules, vials etc.	Yellow coloured non-chlorinated plastic bags or containers	Expired cytotoxic drugs and items contaminated with cytotoxic drugs to be returned back to the manufacturer or supplier for incineration at temperature >1200 °C or to common bio-medical waste treatment facility or hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility for incineration at >1200°C Or Encapsulation or Plasma Pyrolysis at >1200°C.  All other discarded medicines shall be either sent back to manufacturer or disposed by incineration.
	<b>(e) Chemical Waste:</b> Chemicals used in production of biological and used or discarded disinfectants.	Yellow coloured containers or non-chlorinated plastic bags	Disposed of by incineration or Plasma Pyrolysis or Encapsulation in hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility.
	<b>(f) Chemical Liquid Waste :</b> Liquid waste generated due to use of chemicals in production of biological and used or discarded disinfectants, Silver X-ray film developing liquid, discarded Formalin, infected secretions, aspirated body fluids, liquid from laboratories and floor washings, cleaning, house-keeping and disinfecting activities etc.	Separate collection system leading to effluent treatment system	After resource recovery, the chemical liquid waste shall be pre-treated before mixing with other wastewater. The combined discharge shall conform to the discharge norms given in Schedule-III.
	<b>(g) Discarded linen, mattresses, beddings contaminated with blood or body fluid.</b>	Non-chlorinated yellow plastic bags or suitable packing material	Non-chlorinated chemical disinfection followed by incineration or Plasma Pyrolysis or for energy recovery.  In absence of above facilities, shredding or mutilation or combination of sterilization and shredding. Treated waste to be sent for energy recovery or incineration or Plasma Pyrolysis.

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	<p><b>(h) Microbiology, Biotechnology and other clinical laboratory waste:</b> Blood bags, Laboratory cultures, stocks or specimens of micro-organisms, live or attenuated vaccines, human and animal cell cultures used in research, industrial laboratories, production of biological, residual toxins, dishes and devices used for cultures.</p>	Autoclave safe plastic bags or containers	Pre-treat to sterilize with non-chlorinated chemicals on-site as per National AIDS Control Organisation or World Health Organisation guidelines thereafter for Incineration.
Red	<p><b>Contaminated Waste (Recyclable)</b> (a) Wastes generated from disposable items such as tubing, bottles, intravenous tubes and sets, catheters, urine bags, syringes (without needles and <i>fixed needle syringes</i>) and vaccutainers with their needles cut) and gloves.</p>	Red coloured non-chlorinated plastic bags or containers	<p>Autoclaving or micro-waving/hydroclaving followed by shredding or mutilation or combination of sterilization and shredding. Treated waste to be sent to registered or authorized recyclers or for energy recovery or plastics to diesel or fuel oil or for road making, whichever is possible.</p> <p>Plastic waste should not be sent to landfill sites.</p>
White (Translucent)	<p><b>Waste sharps including Metals:</b> Needles, syringes with fixed needles, needles from needle tip cutter or burner, scalpels, blades, or any other contaminated sharp object that may cause puncture and cuts. This includes both used, discarded and contaminated metal sharps</p>	Puncture proof, Leak proof, tamper proof containers	Autoclaving or Dry Heat Sterilization followed by shredding or mutilation or encapsulation in metal container or cement concrete; combination of shredding cum autoclaving; and sent for final disposal to iron foundries (having consent to operate from the State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees) or sanitary landfill or designated concrete waste sharp pit.
Blue	<p><b>(a) Glassware:</b> Broken or discarded and contaminated glass including medicine vials and ampoules except those contaminated with cytotoxic wastes.</p>	Cardboard boxes with blue colored marking	Disinfection (by soaking the washed glass waste after cleaning with detergent and Sodium Hypochlorite treatment) or through autoclaving or microwaving or hydroclaving and then sent for recycling.

	<b>(b) Metallic Body Implants</b>	Cardboard boxes with blue colored marking	
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**Disposal by deep burial is permitted only in rural or remote areas where there is no access to common bio-medical waste treatment facility. This will be carried out with prior approval from the prescribed authority and as per the Standards specified in Schedule-III. The deep burial facility shall be located as per the provisions and guidelines issued by Central Pollution Control Board from time to time.**

### Part -2

- (1) All plastic bags shall be as per BIS standards as and when published, till then the prevailing Plastic Waste Management Rules shall be applicable.
- (2) Chemical treatment using at least 10% Sodium Hypochlorite having 30% residual chlorine for twenty minutes or any other equivalent chemical reagent that should demonstrate  $\text{Log}_{10}4$  reduction efficiency for microorganisms as given in Schedule- III.
- (3) Mutilation or shredding must be to an extent to prevent unauthorized reuse.
- (4) There will be no chemical pretreatment before incineration, except for microbiological, lab and highly infectious waste.
- (5) Incineration ash (ash from incineration of any bio-medical waste) shall be disposed through hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility, if toxic or hazardous constituents are present beyond the prescribed limits as given in the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 or as revised from time to time.
- (6) Dead Fetus below the viability period (as per the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act 1971, amended from time to time) can be considered as human anatomical waste. Such waste should be handed over to the operator of common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility in yellow bag with a copy of the official Medical Termination of Pregnancy certificate from the Obstetrician or the Medical Superintendent of hospital or healthcare establishment.
- (7) Cytotoxic drug vials shall not be handed over to unauthorised person under any circumstances. These shall be sent back to the manufactures for necessary disposal at a single point. As a second option, these may be sent for incineration at common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility or TSDFs or plasma pyrolysis at temperature  $>1200^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- (8) Residual or discarded chemical wastes, used or discarded disinfectants and chemical sludge can be disposed at hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility. In such case, the waste should be sent to hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility through operator of common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility only.



- (9) On-site pre-treatment of laboratory waste, microbiological waste, blood samples, blood bags should be disinfected or sterilized as per the Guidelines of World Health Organisation or National AIDS Control Organisation and then given to the common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility.
- (10) Installation of in-house incinerator is not allowed. However in case there is no common biomedical facility nearby, the same may be installed by the occupier after taking authorisation from the State Pollution Control Board.
- (11) Syringes should be either mutilated or needles should be cut and or stored in tamper proof, leak proof and puncture proof containers for sharps storage. Wherever the occupier is not linked to a disposal facility it shall be the responsibility of the occupier to sterilize and dispose in the manner prescribed.
- (12) Bio-medical waste generated in households during healthcare activities shall be segregated as per these rules and handed over in separate bags or containers to municipal waste collectors. Urban Local Bodies shall have tie up with the common bio-medical waste treatment and disposal facility to pickup this waste from the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) or from the house hold directly, for final disposal in the manner as prescribed in this Schedule.

## SCHEDULE II

[See rule 4(t), 7(1) and 7(6)]

### STANDARDS FOR TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL OF BIO-MEDICALWASTES

#### 1. STANDARDS FOR INCINERATION.-

All incinerators shall meet the following operating and emission standards-

##### A. Operating Standards

1). Combustion efficiency (CE) shall be at least 99.00%.

2). The Combustion efficiency is computed as follows:

$$C.E. = \frac{\%CO_2}{\%CO_2 + \%CO} \times 100$$

3). The temperature of the primary chamber shall be a minimum of 800 °C and the secondary chamber shall be minimum of 1050°C + or - 50°C.

4). The secondary chamber gas residence time shall be at least two seconds.

##### B. Emission Standards

Sl. No.	Parameter	Standards	
		(3)	(4)
(1)	(2)	Limiting concentration in mg Nm <sup>3</sup> unless stated	Sampling Duration in minutes, unless stated
1.	Particulate matter	50	30 or 1NM <sup>3</sup> of sample volume, whichever is more
2.	Nitrogen Oxides NO and NO <sub>2</sub> expressed asNO <sub>2</sub>	400	30 for online sampling or grab sample
3.	HCl	50	30 or 1NM <sup>3</sup> of sample volume, whichever is more
4.	Total Dioxins and Furans	0.1ngTEQ/Nm <sup>3</sup> (at 11% O <sub>2</sub> )	8 hours or 5NM <sup>3</sup> of sample volume, whichever is more
5.	Hg and its compounds	0.05	2 hours or 1NM <sup>3</sup> of sample volume, whichever is more

**C. Stack Height:** Minimum stack height shall be 30 meters above the ground and shall be attached with the necessary monitoring facilities as per requirement of monitoring of 'general parameters' as notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and in accordance with the Central Pollution Control Board Guidelines of Emission Regulation Part-III.

**Note:**

- (a) The existing incinerators shall comply with the above within a period of two years from the date of the notification.
- (b) The existing incinerators shall comply with the standards for Dioxins and Furans of 0.1ngTEQ/Nm<sup>3</sup>, as given below within two years from the date of commencement of these rules.
- (c) All upcoming common bio-medical waste treatment facilities having incineration facility or captive incinerator shall comply with standards for Dioxins and Furans.
- (d) The existing secondary combustion chambers of the incinerator and the pollution control devices shall be suitably retrofitted, if necessary, to achieve the emission limits.
- (e) Wastes to be incinerated shall not be chemically treated with any chlorinated disinfectants.
- (f) Ash from incineration of biomedical waste shall be disposed of at common hazardous waste treatment and disposal facility. However, it may be disposed of in municipal landfill, if the toxic metals in incineration ash are within the regulatory quantities as defined under the Hazardous Waste (Management and Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2008 as amended from time to time.
- (g) Only low Sulphur fuel like Light Diesel Oil or Low Sulphur Heavy Stock or Diesel, Compressed Natural Gas, Liquefied Natural Gas or Liquefied Petroleum Gas shall be used as fuel in the incinerator.



- (h) The occupier or operator of a common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall monitor the stack gaseous emissions (under optimum capacity of the incinerator) once in three months through a laboratory approved under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and record of such analysis results shall be maintained and submitted to the prescribed authority. In case of dioxins and furans, monitoring should be done once in a year.
- (i) The occupier or operator of the common bio-medical waste treatment facility shall install continuous emission monitoring system for the parameters as stipulated by State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committees in authorisation and transmit the data real time to the servers at State Pollution Control Board or Pollution Control Committees and Central Pollution Control Board.
- (j) All monitored values shall be corrected to 11% Oxygen on dry basis.
- (k) Incinerators (combustion chambers) shall be operated with such temperature, retention time and turbulence, as to achieve Total Organic Carbon content in the slag and bottom ashes less than 3% or their loss on ignition shall be less than 5% of the dry weight.
- (l) The occupier or operator of a common bio-medical waste incinerator shall use combustion gas analyzer to measure CO<sub>2</sub>, CO and O<sub>2</sub>.

## 2. Operating and Emission Standards for Disposal by Plasma Pyrolysis or Gasification:

### A. Operating Standards:

All the operators of the Plasma Pyrolysis or Gasification shall meet the following operating and emission standards:

- 1) Combustion Efficiency (CE) shall be at least 99.99%.
  - 2) The Combustion Efficiency is computed as follows.
 
$$\frac{\% \text{CO}_2}{(\% \text{CO}_2 + \% \text{CO})} \times 100 \quad \text{C.E} =$$
  - 3) The temperature of the combustion chamber after plasma gasification shall be 1050 ± 50 °C with gas residence time of at least 2(two) second, with minimum 3 % Oxygen in the stack gas.
  - 4) The Stack height should be minimum of 30 m above ground level and shall be attached with the necessary monitoring facilities as per requirement of monitoring of 'general parameters' as notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and in accordance with the CPCB Guidelines of Emission Regulation Part-III.
- ### B. Air Emission Standards and Air Pollution Control Measures
- (i) Emission standards for incinerator, notified at Sl No.1 above in this Schedule, and revised from time to time, shall be applicable for the Plasma Pyrolysis or Gasification also.



- (ii) Suitably designed air pollution control devices shall be installed or retrofitted with the 'Plasma Pyrolysis or Gasification to achieve the above emission limits, if necessary.
- (iii) Wastes to be treated using Plasma Pyrolysis or Gasification shall not be chemically treated with any chlorinated disinfectants and chlorinated plastics shall not be treated in the system.

**C. Disposal of Ash Vitrified Material:** The ash or vitrified material generated from the 'Plasma Pyrolysis or Gasification shall be disposed off in accordance with the Hazardous Waste (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules 2008 and revisions made thereafter in case the constituents exceed the limits prescribed under Schedule II of the said Rules or else in accordance with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, whichever is applicable.

### 3. STANDARDS FOR AUTOCLAVING OF BIO-MEDICAL WASTE.-

The autoclave should be dedicated for the purposes of disinfecting and treating bio-medical waste.

- (1) When operating a gravity flow autoclave, medical waste shall be subjected to:
  - (i) a temperature of not less than 121° C and pressure of 15 pounds per square inch (psi) for an autoclave residence time of not less than 60 minutes; or
  - (ii) a temperature of not less than 135° C and a pressure of 31 psi for an autoclave residence time of not less than 45 minutes; or
  - (iii) a temperature of not less than 149° C and a pressure of 52 psi for an autoclave residence time of not less than 30 minutes.
- (2) When operating a vacuum autoclave, medical waste shall be subjected to a minimum of three pre-vacuum pulse to purge the autoclave of all air. The air removed during the pre-vacuum, cycle should be decontaminated by means of HEPA and activated carbon filtration, steam treatment, or any other method to prevent release of pathogen. The waste shall be subjected to the following:
  - (i) a temperature of not less than 121°C and pressure of 15 psi per an autoclave residence time of not less than 45 minutes; or
  - (ii) a temperature of not less than 135°C and a pressure of 31 psi for an autoclave residence time of not less than 30 minutes;
- (3) Medical waste shall not be considered as properly treated unless the time, temperature and pressure indicators indicate that the required time, temperature and pressure were reached during the autoclave process. If for any reasons, time temperature or pressure indicator indicates that the required temperature, pressure or residence time was not reached, the entire load of medical waste must be autoclaved again until the proper temperature, pressure and residence time were achieved.



(4) **Recording of operational parameters:** Each autoclave shall have graphic or computer recording devices which will automatically and continuously monitor and record dates, time of day, load identification number and operating parameters throughout the entire length of the autoclave cycle.

(5) **Validation test for autoclave:** The validation test shall use four biological indicator strips, one shall be used as a control and left at room temperature, and three shall be placed in the approximate center of three containers with the waste. Personal protective equipment (gloves, face mask and coveralls) shall be used when opening containers for the purpose of placing the biological indicators. At least one of the containers with a biological indicator should be placed in the most difficult location for steam to penetrate, generally the bottom center of the waste pile. The occupier or operator shall conduct this test three consecutive times to define the minimum operating conditions. The temperature, pressure and residence time at which all biological indicator vials or strips for three consecutive tests show complete inactivation of the spores shall define the minimum operating conditions for the autoclave. After determining the minimum temperature, pressure and residence time, the occupier or operator of a common biomedical waste treatment facility shall conduct this test once in three months and records in this regard shall be maintained.

(6) **Routine Test:** A chemical indicator strip or tape that changes colour when a certain temperature is reached can be used to verify that a specific temperature has been achieved. It may be necessary to use more than one strip over the waste package at different locations to ensure that the inner content of the package has been adequately autoclaved. The occupier or operator of a common bio medical waste treatment facility shall conduct this test during autoclaving of each batch and records in this regard shall be maintained.

(7) **Spore testing:** The autoclave should completely and consistently kill the approved biological indicator at the maximum design capacity of each autoclave unit. Biological indicator for autoclave shall be *Geobacillusstearothermophilus* spores using vials or spore Strips; with at least  $1 \times 10^6$  spores. Under no circumstances will an autoclave have minimum operating parameters less than a residence time of 30 minutes, a temperature less than  $121^\circ \text{C}$  or a pressure less than 15 psi. The occupier or operator of a common bio medical waste treatment and disposal facility shall conduct this test at least once in every week and records in this regard shall be maintained.

#### 4. STANDARDS OF MICROWAVING.-

(1) Microwave treatment shall not be used for cytotoxic, hazardous or radioactive wastes, contaminated animal carcasses, body parts and large metal items.

(2) The microwave system shall comply with the efficacy test or routine tests and a performance guarantee may be provided by the supplier before operation of the limit.

(3) The microwave should completely and consistently kill the bacteria and other pathogenic organisms that are ensured by approved biological indicator at the maximum design capacity of each microwave unit. Biological indicators for microwave shall be *Bacillus atrophaeus* spores using vials or spore strips with at least  $1 \times 10^4$  spores per detachable strip. The biological indicator shall be placed with waste and exposed to same conditions as the waste during a normal treatment cycle.



5. **STANDARDS FOR DEEP BURIAL.**- (1) A pit or trench should be dug about two meters deep. It should be half filled with waste, then covered with lime within 50 cm of the surface, before filling the rest of the pit with soil.

(2) It must be ensured that animals do not have any access to burial sites. Covers of galvanised iron or wire meshes may be used.

(3) On each occasion, when wastes are added to the pit, a layer of 10 cm of soil shall be added to cover the wastes.

(4) Burial must be performed under close and dedicated supervision.

(5) The deep burial site should be relatively impermeable and no shallow well should be close to the site.

(6) The pits should be distant from habitation, and located so as to ensure that no contamination occurs to surface water or ground water. The area should not be prone to flooding or erosion.

(7) The location of the deep burial site shall be authorised by the prescribed authority.

(8) The institution shall maintain a record of all pits used for deep burial.

(9) The ground water table level should be a minimum of six meters below the lower level of deep burial pit.

## 6. **STANDARDS FOR EFFICACY OF CHEMICAL DISINFECTION**

Microbial inactivation efficacy is equated to "Log<sub>10</sub> kill" which is defined as the difference between the logarithms of number of test microorganisms before and after chemical treatment. Chemical disinfection methods shall demonstrate a 4 Log<sub>10</sub> reduction or greater for *Bacillus Subtilis* (ATCC 19659) in chemical treatment systems.

## 7. **STANDARDS FOR DRY HEAT STERILIZATION**

Waste sharps can be treated by dry heat sterilization at a temperature not less than 185°C, at least for a residence period of 150 minutes in each cycle, which sterilization period of 90 minutes. There should be automatic recording system to monitor operating parameters.

### (i) **Validation test for Sharps sterilization unit**

Waste sharps sterilization unit should completely and consistently kill the biological indicator *Geobacillus Stearothermophilus* or *Bacillus Atropheausspoers* using vials with at least log<sub>10</sub> 6 spores per ml. The test shall be carried out once in three months

### (ii) **Routine test**

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A chemical indicator strip or tape that changes colour when a certain temperature is reached can be used to verify that a specific temperature has been achieved. It may be necessary to use more than one strip over the waste to ensure that the inner content of the sharps has been adequately disinfected. This test shall be performed once in week and records in this regard shall be maintained.

### 8. STANDARDS FOR LIQUID WASTE.-

(1) The effluent generated or treated from the premises of occupier or operator of a common bio medical waste treatment and disposal facility, before discharge into the sewer should conform to the following limits-

PARAMETERS	PERMISSIBLE LIMITS
pH	6.5-9.0
Suspended solids	100 mg/l
Oil and grease	10 mg/l
BOD	30 mg/l
COD	250 mg/l
Bio-assay test	90% survival of fish after 96 hours in 100% effluent.

(2) Sludge from Effluent Treatment Plant shall be given to common bio-medical waste treatment facility for incineration or to hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility for disposal.

#### Schedule III

[See rule 6 and 9(3)]

#### List of Prescribed Authorities and the Corresponding Duties

Sl. No (1)	Authority (2)	Corresponding Duties (3)
1	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India	(i) Making Policies concerning bio-medical waste Management in the Country including notification of Rules and amendments to the Rules as and when required. (ii) Providing financial assistance for training and awareness programmes on bio-medical waste management related activities to for the State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees. (iii) Facilitating financial assistance for setting up or up-gradation of common bio-medical waste treatment facilities. (iv) Undertake or support operational research and assessment with reference to risks to environment and health due to bio-medical waste and



		<p>previously unknown disposables and wastes from new types of equipment.</p> <p>(v) Constitution of Monitoring Committee for implementation of the rules.</p> <p>(vi) Hearing Appeals and give decision made in Form-V against order passed by the prescribed authorities.</p> <p>(vii) Develop Standard manual for Trainers and Training.</p> <p>(viii) Notify the standards or operating parameters for new technologies for treatment of bio medical waste other than those listed in Schedule- I.</p>
2	<p>Central or State Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Central Ministry for Animal Husbandry and Veterinary or State Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary.</p>	<p>(i) Grant of license to health care facilities or nursing homes or veterinary establishments with a condition to obtain authorisation from the prescribed authority for bio-medical waste management.</p> <p>(ii) Monitoring, Refusal or Cancellation of license for health care facilities or nursing homes or veterinary establishments for violations of conditions of authorisation or provisions under these Rules.</p> <p>(iii) Publication of list of registered health care facilities with regard to bio-medical waste generation, treatment and disposal.</p> <p>(iv) Undertake or support operational research and assessment with reference to risks to environment and health due to bio-medical waste and previously unknown disposables and wastes from new types of equipment.</p> <p>(v) Coordinate with State Pollution Control Boards for organizing training programmes to staff of health care facilities and municipal workers on bio-medical waste.</p> <p>(vi) Constitution of Expert Committees at National or State level for overall review and promotion of clean or new technologies for bio-medical waste management.</p>



		<p>(vii) Organizing or Sponsoring of trainings for the regulatory authorities and health care facilities on bio-medical waste management related activities.</p> <p>(viii) Sponsoring of mass awareness campaigns in electronic media and print media.</p>
3	Ministry of Defence	<p>(i) Grant and renewal of authorisation to Armed Forces health care facilities or common bio-medical waste treatment facilities (Rule 9).</p> <p>(ii) Conduct training courses for authorities dealing with management of bio-medical wastes in Armed Forces health care facilities or treatment facilities in association with State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees or Central Pollution Control Board or Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.</p> <p>(iii) Publication of inventory of occupiers and bio-medical waste generation from Armed Forces health care facilities or occupiers</p> <p>(iv) Constitution of Advisory Committee for implementation of the rules.</p> <p>(v) Review of management of bio-medical waste generation in the Armed Forces health care facilities through its Advisory Committee (Rule 11).</p> <p>(vi) Submission of annual report to Central Pollution Control Board within the stipulated time period (Rule 13).</p>
4.	Central Pollution Control Board	<p>(i) Prepare Guidelines on bio-medical waste Management and submit to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.</p> <p>(ii) Co-ordination of activities of State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees on bio-medical waste.</p> <p>(iii) Conduct training courses for authorities dealing with management of bio-medical waste.</p> <p>(iv) Lay down standards for new technologies for</p>

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		<p>treatment and disposal of bio-medical waste (Rule 7) and prescribe specifications for treatment and disposal of bio-medical wastes (Rule 7).</p> <p>(v) Lay down Criteria for establishing common bio-medical waste treatment facilities in the Country.</p> <p>(vi) Random inspection or monitoring of health care facilities and common bio-medical waste treatment facilities.</p> <p>(vii) Review and analysis of data submitted by the State Pollution Control Boards on bio-medical waste and submission of compiled information in the form of annual report along with its observations to Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change .</p> <p>(viii) Inspection and monitoring of health care facilities operated by the Director General, Armed Forces Medical Services (Rule 9).</p> <p>(ix) Undertake or support research or operational research regarding bio-medical waste.</p>
5.	State Government of Health or Union Territory Government or Administration	<p>(i) To ensure implementation of the rule in all health care facilities or occupiers.</p> <p>(ii) Allocation of adequate funds to Government health care facilities for bio-medical waste management.</p> <p>(iii) Procurement and allocation of treatment equipments and make provision for consumables for bio-medical waste management in Government health care facilities.</p> <p>(iv) Constitute State or District Level Advisory Committees under the District Magistrate or Additional District Magistrate to oversee the bio-medical waste management in the Districts.</p> <p>(v) Advise State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees on implementation of these Rules.</p> <p>(vi) Implementation of recommendations of the Advisory Committee in all the health care facilities.</p>

6.	State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Inventorisation of Occupiers and data on bio-medical waste generation, treatment &amp; disposal.</li> <li>(ii) Compilation of data and submission of the same in annual report to Central Pollution Control Board within the stipulated time period.</li> <li>(iii) Grant and renewal, suspension or refusal cancellation or of authorisation under these rules (Rule 7, 8 and 10).</li> <li>(iv) Monitoring of compliance of various provisions and conditions of authorisation.</li> <li>(v) Action against health care facilities or common bio-medical waste treatment facilities for violation of these rules (Rule 18).</li> <li>(vi) Organizing training programmes to staff of health care facilities and common bio-medical waste treatment facilities and State Pollution Control Boards or Pollution Control Committees Staff on segregation, collection, storage, transportation, treatment and disposal of bio-medical wastes.</li> <li>(vii) Undertake or support research or operational research regarding bio-medical waste management.</li> <li>(viii) Any other function under these rules assigned by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change or Central Pollution Control Board from time to time.</li> <li>(ix) Implementation of recommendations of the Advisory Committee.</li> <li>(x) Publish the list of Registered or Authorised (or give consent) Recyclers.</li> <li>(xi) Undertake and support third party audits of the common bio-medical waste treatment facilities in their State.</li> </ul>
7	Municipalities or Corporations, Urban Local Bodies and Gram Panchayats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Provide or allocate suitable land for development of common bio-medical waste treatment facilities in their respective jurisdictions as per the guidelines of</li> </ul>

		<p>Central Pollution Control Board.</p> <p>(ii) Collect other solid waste (other than the bio-medical waste) from the health care facilities as per the Municipal Solid Waste ( Management and handling) Rules, 2000 or as amended time to time.</p> <p>(iii) Any other function stipulated under these Rules.</p>
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**SCHEDULE IV**  
 [See rule 8(3) and (5)]  
**Part A**

**LABEL FOR BIO-MEDICAL WASTE CONTAINERS or BAGS**



HANDLE WITH CARE

**CYTOTOXIC HAZARD SYMBOL**



HANDLE WITH CARE

**Part B**

**LABEL FOR TRANSPORTING BIO-MEDICAL WASTE BAGS OR CONTAINERS**

Day .....Month .....  
 Year .....  
 Date of generation .....

Waste category Number .....  
 Waste quantity.....  
 Sender's Name and Address  
 Phone Number .....  
 Fax Number.....  
 Contact Person .....

Receiver's Name and Address:  
 Phone Number .....  
 Fax Number .....  
 Contact Person .....

In case of emergency please contact :  
 Name and Address :  
 Phone No.

Note :Label shall be non-washable and prominently visible.

**FORM – I**  
 [ (See rule 4(o), 5(i) and 15 (2)) ]

**ACCIDENT REPORTING**

1. Date and time of accident :
2. Type of Accident :



3. Sequence of events leading to accident :
4. Has the Authority been informed immediately :
5. The type of waste involved in accident :
6. Assessment of the effects of the accidents on human health and the environment:
7. Emergency measures taken :
8. Steps taken to alleviate the effects of accidents :
9. Steps taken to prevent the recurrence of such an accident :
10. Does your facility has an Emergency Control policy? If yes give details:

Date : .....

Signature .....

Place: .....

Designation .....

#### **FORM - II**

**(See rule10)**

#### **APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION OR RENEWAL OF AUTHORISATION**

(To be submitted by occupier of health care facility or common bio-medical waste treatment facility)

To

The Prescribed Authority  
(Name of the State or UT Administration)  
Address.

#### **1. Particulars of Applicant:**

(i) Name of the Applicant:  
(In block letters & in full)

(ii) Name of the health care facility (HCF) or common bio-medical waste treatment facility (CBWTF) :

(iii) Address for correspondence:

(iv) Tele No., Fax No.:



(v) Email:

(vi) Website Address:

2. Activity for which authorisation is sought:

Activity	Please tick
Generation, segregation	
Collection,	
Storage	
packaging	
Reception	
Transportation	
Treatment or processing or conversion	
Recycling	
Disposal or destruction	
use	
offering for sale, transfer	
Any other form of handling	

3. Application for  fresh or  renewal of authorisation (please tick whatever is applicable):

(i) Applied for CTO/CTE Yes/No

(ii) In case of renewal previous authorisation number and date:

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(iii) Status of Consents:

(a) under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974

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(b) under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981:

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4. (i) Address of the health care facility (HCF) or common bio-medical waste treatment facility (CBWTF):

(ii) GPS coordinates of health care facility (HCF) or common bio-medical waste treatment facility (CBWTF):

5. Details of health care facility (HCF) or common bio-medical waste treatment facility (CBWTF):

(i) Number of beds of HCF:

(ii) Number of patients treated per month by HCF:

(iii) Number healthcare facilities covered by CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) No of beds covered by CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_

(v) Installed treatment and disposal capacity of CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_ Kg per day

(vi) Quantity of biomedical waste treated or disposed by CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_ Kg/ day

(vii) Area or distance covered by CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_



- (pl. attach map a map with GPS locations of CBMWTF and area of coverage)  
 (viii) Quantity of Biomedical waste handled, treated or disposed:

Category	Type of Waste	Quantity Generated or Collected, kg/day	Method of Treatment and Disposal (Refer Schedule-I)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Yellow	(a) Human Anatomical Waste:		
	(b) Animal Anatomical Waste :		
	(c) Soiled Waste:		
	(d) Expired or Discarded Medicines:		
	(e) Chemical Solid Waste:		
	(f) Chemical Liquid Waste :		
	(g) Discarded linen, mattresses, beddings contaminated with blood or body fluid.		
	(h) Microbiology, Biotechnology and other clinical laboratory waste:		
Red	Contaminated Waste (Recyclable)		
White (Translucent)	Waste sharps including Metals:		
Blue	Glassware:		
	Metallic Body Implants		

6. Brief description of arrangements for handling of biomedical waste (attach details):

- (i) Mode of transportation (if any) of bio-medical waste:
- (ii) Details of treatment equipment (please give details such as the number, type & capacity of each unit)

	No of units	Capacity of each unit
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Incinerators :

Plasma Pyrolysis:

Autoclaves:

Microwave:

Hydroclave:

Shredder:

Needle tip cutter or  
destroyer

Sharps encapsulation or  
concrete pit:

Deep burial pits:

Chemical disinfection:

Any other treatment  
equipment:



- 7. Contingency plan of common bio-medical waste treatment facility (CBWTF)(attach documents):
- 8. Details of directions or notices or legal actions if any during the period of earlier authorisation

9. Declaration

I do hereby declare that the statements made and information given above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I have not concealed any information.

I do also hereby undertake to provide any further information sought by the prescribed authority in relation to these rules and to fulfill any conditions stipulated by the prescribed authority.

Date : Signature of the Applicant  
 Place : Designation of the Applicant

**FORM –III**  
(See rule 10)

**AUTHORISATION**

(Authorisation for operating a facility for generation, collection, reception, treatment, storage, transport and disposal of biomedical wastes)

- 1. File number of authorisation and date of issue.....
- 2. M/s \_\_\_\_\_ an occupier or operator of the facility located at \_\_\_\_\_ is hereby granted an authorisation for;

- | Activity                              | Please tick |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Generation, segregation               |             |
| Collection,                           |             |
| Storage                               |             |
| packaging                             |             |
| Reception                             |             |
| Transportation                        |             |
| Treatment or processing or conversion |             |
| Recycling                             |             |
| Disposal or destruction               |             |
| use                                   |             |
| offering for sale, transfer           |             |
| Any other form of handling            |             |

- 3. M/s \_\_\_\_\_ is hereby authorized for handling of biomedical waste as per the capacity given below;

- (i) Number of beds of HCF: \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) Number healthcare facilities covered by CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_



(iii) Installed treatment and disposal capacity: \_\_\_\_\_ Kg per day

(iv) Area or distance covered by CBMWTF: \_\_\_\_\_

(v) Quantity of Biomedical waste handled, treated or disposed:

Type of Waste Category	Quantity permitted for Handling
Yellow	
Red	
White (Translucent)	
Blue	

3. This authorisation shall be in force for a period of ..... Years from the date of issue.

4. This authorisation is subject to the conditions stated below and to such other conditions as may be specified in the rules for the time being in force under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Date ..... Signature.....  
 Place: ..... Designation .....

**Terms and conditions of authorisation \***

1. The authorisation shall comply with the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the rules made there under.
2. The authorisation or its renewal shall be produced for inspection at the request of an officer authorised by the prescribed authority.
3. The person authorized shall not rent, lend, sell, transfer or otherwise transport the biomedical wastes without obtaining prior permission of the prescribed authority.
4. Any unauthorised change in personnel, equipment or working conditions as mentioned in the application by the person authorised shall constitute a breach of his authorisation.
5. It is the duty of the authorised person to take prior permission of the prescribed authority to close down the facility and such other terms and conditions may be stipulated by the prescribed authority.

**Form - IV  
 (See rule 13)  
 ANNUAL REPORT**

[To be submitted to the prescribed authority on or before 30<sup>th</sup> June every year for the period from January to December of the preceding year, by the occupier of health care facility (HCF) or common bio-medical waste treatment facility (CBWTF)]

Sl. No.	Particulars		
1.	Particulars of the Occupier	:	
	(i) Name of the authorised person (occupier or operator of facility)	:	

	(ii) Name of HCF or CBMWTF	:	
	(iii) Address for Correspondence	:	
	(iv) Address of Facility		
	(v) Tel. No, Fax. No	:	
	(vi) E-mail ID	:	
	(vii) URL of Website		
	(viii) GPS coordinates of HCF or CBMWTF		
	(ix) Ownership of HCF or CBMWTF	:	(State Government or Private or Semi Govt. or any other)
	(x). Status of Authorisation under the Bio-Medical Waste (Management and Handling) Rules	:	Authorisation No.: ..... .....valid up to .....
	(xi). Status of Consents under Water Act and Air Act	:	Valid up to:
2.	Type of Health Care Facility	:	
	(i) Bedded Hospital	:	No. of Beds:.....
	(ii) Non-bedded hospital	:	
	(Clinic or Blood Bank or Clinical Laboratory or Research Institute or Veterinary Hospital or any other)		
	(iii) License number and its date of expiry		
3.	Details of CBMWTF	:	
	(i) Number healthcare facilities covered by CBMWTF	:	
	(ii) No of beds covered by CBMWTF	:	
	(iii) Installed treatment and disposal capacity of CBMWTF:	:	_____ Kg per day
	(iv) Quantity of biomedical waste treated or disposed by CBMWTF	:	_____ Kg/day
4.	Quantity of waste generated or disposed in Kg per annum (on monthly average basis)	:	Yellow Category : Red Category : White: Blue Category : General Solid waste:
5	Details of the Storage, treatment, transportation, processing and Disposal Facility		
	(i) Details of the on-site storage facility	:	Size : Capacity : Provision of on-site storage : (cold storage or any other provision)

disposal facilities		Type of treatment equipment	No of units	Capacity Kg/day	Quantity treated or disposed in kg per annum
(iii) Quantity of recyclable wastes sold to authorized recyclers after treatment in kg per annum.	:	Red Category (like plastic, glass etc.)			
(iv) No of vehicles used for collection and transportation of biomedical waste	:				
(v) Details of incineration ash and ETP sludge generated and disposed during the treatment of wastes in Kg per annum		Incineration Ash ETP Sludge	Quantity generated		Where disposed
(vi) Name of the Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility Operator through which wastes are disposed of	:				
(vii) List of member HCF not handed over bio-medical waste.					
6 Do you have bio-medical waste management committee? If yes, attach minutes of the meetings held during the reporting period					
7 Details trainings conducted on BMW (i) Number of trainings conducted on BMW Management.					



	(ii) number of personnel trained		
	(iii) number of personnel trained at the time of induction		
	(iv) number of personnel not undergone any training so far		
	(v) whether standard manual for training is available?		
	(vi) any other information)		
8	Details of the accident occurred during the year		
	(i) Number of Accidents occurred		
	(ii) Number of the persons affected		
	(iii) Remedial Action taken (Please attach details if any)		
	(iv) Any Fatality occurred, details.		
9.	Are you meeting the standards of air Pollution from the incinerator? How many times in last year could not met the standards?		
	Details of Continuous online emission monitoring systems installed		
10	Liquid waste generated and treatment methods in place. How many times you have not met the standards in a year?		
11	Is the disinfection method or sterilization meeting the log 4 standards? How many times you have not met the standards in a year?		
12	Any other relevant information	:	(Air Pollution Control Devices attached with the Incinerator)

Certified that the above report is for the period from

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Name and Signature of the Head of the Institution

Date:  
 Place

**FORM -V**



(See rule 16)

**Application for filing appeal against order passed by the prescribed authority**

1. Name and address of the person applying for appeal :
2. Number, date of order and address of the authority which passed the order, against which appeal is being made (certified copy of order to be attached):
3. Ground on which the appeal is being made:
4. List of enclosures other than the order referred in para 2 against which appeal is being filed:

Date :

Signature .....

Name and Address.....

[F. No. 3-1/2000-HSMD]

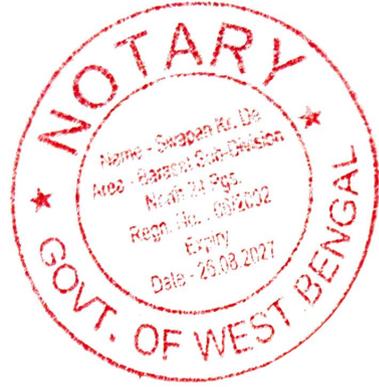
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Joint secretary to the Government of India

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**BEFORE THE HON'BLE NATIONAL  
GREEN TRIBUNAL**

**EASTERN ZONE BENCH, KOLKATA**

**ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO. 239  
/2024 /EZB**



**IN THE MATTER OF:**

Subhas Datta

...Applicant

**VERSUS**

State of West Benga Ors.

.... Respondents

**COUNTER AFFIDAVIT ON  
BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENT  
NO. 8 NAMELY MAL  
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