

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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WASTE MANAGEMENT  
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**Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the management of waste has become a serious issue in all the cities including Bengaluru and New Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take any effective measures to put an end to waste management crisis; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) & (b): Due to rapid urbanization, the provision of waste management, particularly of the solid waste management, is not commensurate with the increasing population. Most of the cities and towns in the country including Bengaluru and New Delhi are unable to cope up with the increased burden of providing such facilities to the desired extent in accordance with 'Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000' due to financial constraints and inadequate institutional framework.

(c) & (d): Though the issue of Waste Management falls in the purview of State Government, the Government of India has taken various initiatives to address the issue as under:-

1. Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD) has focussed to improve the efficiency of service delivery in respect of sanitation services including municipal solid waste management by way of formulating a set of Standardized Service Level Benchmarks (SLBs) for sanitation including municipal solid waste management.
2. With a view to prioritize the issue of solid waste management, MoUD formulated the "National Urban Sanitation Policy (NUSP)" in 2008.
3. Further, MoUD has provided support to States for Solid Waste Management projects under various schemes, which include the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission, North Eastern Region Urban Development Programme, Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme in Satellite Towns and 10% Lump Sum Scheme for North Eastern Region including Sikkim.
4. The Manual on Solid Waste Management and Report of Technology Advisory Group on Municipal Solid Waste Management were brought out by MoUD during 2000 and 2005 respectively, which specify various technologies for collection, transportation, processing, treatment and disposal of municipal solid waste in a scientific and hygienic manner.
5. To generate energy from urban garbage and its disposal, Ministry of New & Renewable Energy is implementing a "Programme on Energy Recovery from Municipal Solid Waste" under which 5 pilot projects have been sanctioned.
6. To reduce the quantity of solid waste finding way to dumping sites/landfills, the Planning Commission recently brought out a 'Task Force Report on Waste to Energy projects' which will provide valuable guidance to Municipal Corporations, especially in the metro cities.