

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 402**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 09.12.2022

**COMMON UNIVERSAL CHARGER FOR MOBILES PHONES,  
LAPTOPS AND TABLETS**

**402. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:**

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government is seriously considering to make compulsory rule for providing common charger for every mobile phone, laptop and tablet, which would reduce e-waste;
- (b) whether Government has consulted with producers for making common/universal charger for all mobile phones, laptops and tablets to reduce e-waste in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and by when the modified charger would come into effect?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. Government is not considering to make compulsory rule for providing common charger for every mobile phone, laptop and tablet, which would reduce e-waste. However, the Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution has set-up a task-force including representatives from Central Ministries i.e. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) and Ministry of Commerce (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)) and representatives from industry bodies and professors from eminent technical institutions to examine the issue of uniformity in charging port of electronic devices.

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