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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2135 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.08.2025

## Support to State Government in dealing with plastic waste

2135. SHRI CHANDRAKANT DAMODAR HANDORE: SHRI HARSH MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Government has any scheme(s)/programme(s) to assist State Governments financially/technically in dealing with plastic waste; and
- (b) if so, the details of such scheme(s)/programme(s) initiated in the last five years; Statewise?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) & (b): The Government has launched Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0 (SBM-U 2.0) scheme in 2021, under which, central assistance is provided, inter alia, for setting up of waste processing facilities such as material recovery facilities (MRFs), transfer stations, Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) processing facilities, plastic waste-processing facilities, waste to electricity plants as per scheme guidelines. Allocation of central share to States/UTs, under Solid Waste Management component of SBM-U 2.0, includes plastic waste management. "Swachh Survekshan" and "Star Rating Protocol" have been introduced which have been aligned with Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021, to encourage cities to phase out single use plastics etc. Additional Central assistance is also provided under Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen Phase II for establishment of Plastic Waste Management Units in rural areas.

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