

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4296
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2017

Solid Waste Management

4296: SHRI KAPIL MORESHWAR PATIL:
SHRI NANA PATOLE:

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

- (a) whether the National Green Tribunal has instructed all the States and Union Territories to strictly implement the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the State Governments thereto;
- (c) whether the Government has taken steps to ensure that the said rules are being complied with properly in the States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the total number of complaints received so far since the implementation of the said rules particularly from Maharashtra along with the details of the penalties imposed for violation of the rules?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a) & (b) The National Green Tribunal in its judgment dated 22.12.2016 in the Original Application No. 199 of 2014 in the matter Almitra H. Patel versus Union of India has issued direction in the interest of environment and public health that every state & union territories shall enforce and implement the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 in all respect and without any further delay.

(c) & d) The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has constituted under the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016, the Central Monitoring Committee having representatives from various Ministries. The first meeting of the Committee was held on 27th January, 2017 to monitor the implementation of these rules.

(e) Approximately 50 complaints have been received in the state of Maharashtra. The Maharashtra Pollution Control Board regularly issues notices for this purpose to the Municipal Corporations/Councils. The Board has also issued directions under section 5 of EP Act, 1986 to 262 Local Bodies in the state of Maharashtra.
