

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1494
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2017

Plastic Waste

1494. SHRI NATUBHAI GOMANBHAI PATEL:

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

- (a) whether the Government is formulating any scheme for making the country plastic-free; and
- (b) if so, the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented along with the estimated expenditure incurred thereon?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

(a) and (b) No Madam. The Government has notified the Plastic Waste (Management) Rules, 2016, which, *inter-alia*, has made every local body responsible for development and setting up of infrastructure for segregation, collection, storage, transportation, processing including recycling and disposal of the plastic waste either on its own or by engaging agencies or through producers. The plastic waste, which can be recycled, may be channelized to registered plastic waste recyclers for gainful utilization.
