GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4715 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD MARCH, 2018

GUIDELINES ON WASTE GENERATED FROM MEDICINAL PLANTS

4715. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps or issued guidelines on solid waste generation and disposal arising out of the extraction of the organic produce, herbs and medicinal plants and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether manufacturers are dumping such waste containing chemical solvent used while extraction under the ground in very large quantities; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) to (c): As per information received from The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), the Government of India has notified Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016, however, the disposal of solid waste arising out of the extraction of the organic produce, herbs and medicinal plants is not covered under these rules. Hence, no specific information is available with Ministry of AYUSH on the subject.