GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. 168 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.02.2021

Waste treatment plant

*168. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any policy to set up a waste treatment plant in Darbhanga, Bihar for disposal of the plastic, bio-medical and solid waste generated keeping in view the rising urbanization and for environmental protection; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) and (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 168 to be answered on 12th February, 2021 on "Waste treatment plant" by Shri Gopal Jee Thakur.

(a) and (b):The Ministry has comprehensively revised plastic, solid and biomedical waste management Rules in the year 2016. Under the Solid Waste and Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, the responsibility of implementation is vested in the States and Municipal Authorities. For Bio-medical Waste Management Rules, 2016, the implementation / enforcement is with the State Government / Union Territory (UT) Administration and State Pollution Control Board / Pollution Control Committees for the respective State/UT. Central Government through various schemes such as "Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban" helps state governments implement the provisions of Solid Waste Management Rules.

The Government of Bihar has formulated policy/ roadmap for solid and plastic waste management, and Bio-medical waste management in the State of Bihar, which is also applicable for Darbhanga region. The details of the policy are given below:

Plastic waste management

The Government of Bihar has also contemplated establishment of Material Recovery facility (MRF) for Segregation of plastic waste and its channelization for recycling and disposal of non-recyclable plastic waste as per CPCB guidelines in Darbhanga region.

Solid waste management

The site for waste processing and landfill site have been identified for solid waste management. The solid waste is collected and segregated for its further processing and disposal. On the basis of the proposal submitted by the Government of Bihar, the Government of India has till date released Rs. 35.245 Crore for setting up a Solid Waste Management (SWM) plant with the project cost of Rs. 201.4 Crore at Dharbhanga, under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban.

Bio-medical waste management

The common bio-medical waste treatment facility located at Muzaffarpur is catering for the treatment and disposal of Bio-medical waste in the district of Darbhanga. The District level monitoring Committees has been constituted by the DoEF&CC, Govt. of Bihar vide its notification no. 629(E), dated 15.09.2016 and revised vide notification no. 21(E) dated 13.01.2017.
