# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 861 TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 02, 2021

### PROGRAMME FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING

## NO. 861. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of State for HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that more than 25000 tonnes of waste have entered the oceans during Covid pandemic leading to threat to human life;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the measures being taken by the Government for its prevention; and
- (d) the scheme formulated by the Government with regard to waste management and recycle by private entities/companies along with the estimated annual expenses for the same?

## **ANSWER**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

- (a) & (b): No such matter has come to the knowledge of the Government.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d): An amount of ₹7,365.82 Crore has been allocated to the States/ Union Territories (UTs) under Solid Waste Management (SWM) component of Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U), out of which ₹6,373.54 Crore have been released till date.

Under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U) 2.0, launched on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2021, ₹10,168 Crore have been allocated to the States/ Union Territories (UTs) under Solid Waste Management (SWM) component.

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