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

(a) whether the Government has assessed the solid waste management efficiency in the country, and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the breakdown of the progress achieved in source segregation in households, State-wise details thereof; and

(c) India’s progress in meeting Sustainable Development Goal-12;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) hardly monitors State Pollution Control Boards for implementation of Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 brought in by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change; and

(e) if so, the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to address this major issue, if not, the reasons therefor?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)

(a) & (b): As per the Annual Report of Central Pollution Control Board, in 2019-20, the total quantity of solid waste generated in the country was 150761 Tonnes Per Day (TPD) of which 145957 TPD of waste was collected, of which, 70881 TPD of waste was treated and 40952 TPD was landfilled. The state-wise status on solid waste management is given at Annexure. As per Solid Waste Management (SWM) Rules 2016, every waste generator has to segregate and store solid waste in three separate streams namely bio-degradable, non-biodegradable and domestic hazardous wastes and handover segregated wastes to authorised waste pickers or waste collectors as per the direction or notification by the local authorities from time to time. Under Swachh Bharat Mission, 100% door to door collection is being practised in 86,972 wards in the country.

(c): There are two Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicators related to Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change for Goal 12 viz. (i) SDG 12.4.1: Whether the country has ratified international Multilateral Environmental Agreements on hazardous waste and other chemicals and (ii) SDG 12.4.2: (a) Hazardous waste generated per capita; and (b) proportion of hazardous waste treated, by type of treatment.
As per the latest version of SDG National Indicator Framework (NIF), the progress of India for both the SDG is in positive direction. India has reduced the generation of per capita hazardous waste to 189.47 (MT/person) from 201.45 (MT/person) in 2018-19 as compared to 2017-18 and the proportion of hazardous waste treated has increased to 0.56 from 0.51 in 2018-19 as compared to 2017-18.

(d) & (e): As per Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016, the Central Pollution Control Board prepares and submits the annual report on the implementation of these rules to the Ministry based upon the information received from State Pollution Control Board/Pollution Control Committee. These reports are available on the website of CPCB.

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