

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3236
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2024

Garbage Mountain in Chandigarh

3236. SHRI MANISH TEWARI:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that a mega garbage dump is located in Dadu Majra, Chandigarh, causing severe air and water pollution in multiple sectors of Chandigarh and around 22 adjoining villages;
- (b) whether the Chandigarh Administration/Municipal Corporation has given an undertaking to the National Green Tribunal (NGT) to clear the entire mega garbage dump by the last week of December 2024, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that no substantive steps have been undertaken to wholly or substantially fulfil the undertaking given to the NGT; and;
- (d) the details of steps proposed to be taken by the Government to address this issue?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) to (d): As per information provided by the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh (MCC), 5 lakh metric tonne of legacy waste has already been bio-remediated from the garbage dump at Dadumajra, Chandigarh, between the years 2019 to 2022. The work was executed by Chandigarh Smart City Limited. Further, as per MCC, the work for bio-remediation of 13.3 lakh cubic metre is scheduled for completion by December, 2024. The MCC has also informed that large number of machines along with transportation machinery have been deployed for bio-remediation of remaining waste by July 2025.
