

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3349
TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 12, 2026**

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT IN RAJAHMUNDRY

NO. 3349. DR. D. PURANDESWARI:

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

- (a) the status of solid waste management and implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0 in Rajahmundry;**
- (b) the details of legacy waste remediation at the dumping yard;**
- (c) the measures taken to enforce source segregation and promote home composting;**
- (d) the status of the proposal to set up a waste-to-energy plant or bio-CNG plant in the city; and**
- (e) the Government's initiative to improve the 'Garbage Free City' star rating of Rajahmundry?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI TOKHAN SAHU)**

(a) : As reported by the State on Swachhatam portal, in Rajahmundry ULB, door to door collection and source segregation is practiced in 100% of the wards and 100% of the total municipal solid waste generated per day is being processed i.e. 144.77 ton per day waste is processed (TPD) out of 144.77 TPD of waste generated.

(b): State of Andhra Pradesh has reported only one dumpsite in Rajahmundry ULB with a total waste of 5.12 lakh ton, out of which 4.12 lakh ton of waste has already been remediated.

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(c) : To ensure large-scale awareness generation and citizen outreach to intensify last-mile participation towards achieving the vision of Garbage Free Cities, Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) are encouraged to undertake Zero Waste Events and promote Zero Waste Colonies across festivals, public gatherings, markets and institutional events, wherein mandatory source segregation, on-site composting and material recovery are demonstrated to ensure litter-free public spaces. Further, Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaigns such as Hara Geela, Sooka Neela are being intensified through ward-level drives, door-to-door advocacy by sanitation workers, Swachhata Doots, Self-Help Groups, and RWAs, particularly in low-compliance areas.

To support these initiatives financial assistance is provided under Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban 2.0. Government of India has earmarked funds to the tune of ₹3040.30 crores under IEC component, out of which action plans of ₹2934.35 crores has already been approved.

The Ministry has issued a National Behavior Change Communication (BCC) Framework to guide States and ULBs on innovative engagement mediums, campaign design, messaging strategies, and stakeholder partnerships for scaling up initiatives.

(d) & (e): To promote Solid waste management in Rajahmundry, proposal to setup 95 TPD compost plant, 76 TPD Material Recovery Facilities and 43.27 TPD sanitary landfills have been approved under SBM-U 2.0. No action plan to set up waste-to-energy plant or bio-CNG plant in Rajahmundry from the State Government has been received in the Ministry.
