

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.333
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.04.2016

City Compost

333. SHRI. B. VINOD KUMAR :

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

- (a) whether the Government has a policy on promotion of city compost to reduce the volume of waste to landfill/ dumpsite by converting the waste into useful by-products and also to prevent production of harmful greenhouse gases (especially methane) and toxic material that pollutes groundwater apart from polluting the environment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a provision has been made for market development assistance of Rs. 1500 per tonne of city compost for scaling up production and consumption of the product; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (d) Yes, Madam. The Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 notified on 8th April, 2016 provide for Promotion of City Compost. As per the approved policy measure a provision has been made for Market Development Assistance of Rs.1500 per tonne of City Compost for production and consumption of the product with a aim to lower MRP of City Compost for farmers, to reduce the volume of waste to landfill / dumpsite, to convert the waste into useful by-products, to help in keeping the city clean and to prevent production of harmful greenhouse gases and toxic material that pollutes the environment. A provision is also made for co-marketing of City Compost with chemical fertilizers by fertilizer companies through their dealer network.
