

APEX COURT'S ORDERS ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES,2026

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES, 2026

- SUPERSEDES SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES, 2016
- CAME INTO FORCE w.e.f. 01.04.2026
- ESTABLISHED TO CHANGE INDIA FROM A TRADITIONAL 'COLLECT & DUMP' MODEL INTO A HIGHLY REGULATED CIRCULAR ECONOMY
- AIMS TO ACHIEVE ZERO WASTE TO LANDFILL
- AN ECONOMIC SYSTEM DESIGNED TO ELIMINATE WASTE AND REGENERATE NATURE
- IT DESIGNATES RURAL DEVELOPMENT AS THE NODAL DEPARTMENT

BRIEF SUMMARY OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES, 2026

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- FOUR WAYS SEGREGATION: a) Wet Waste
(FOUR BIN SYSTEM) b) Dry Waste
c) Sanitary Waste
d) Special Care Waste

WET WASTE



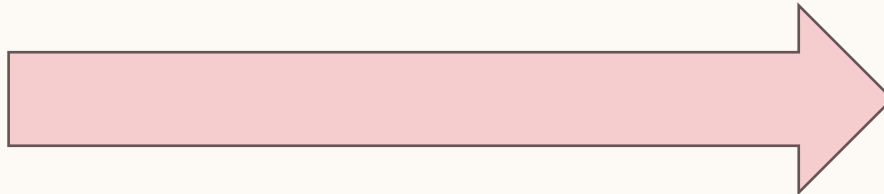
WET WASTE PROCESSING FACILITY

DRY WASTE



REGISTERED MATERIAL RECOVERY
FACILITY

SANITARY WASTE
SPECIAL CARE WASTE

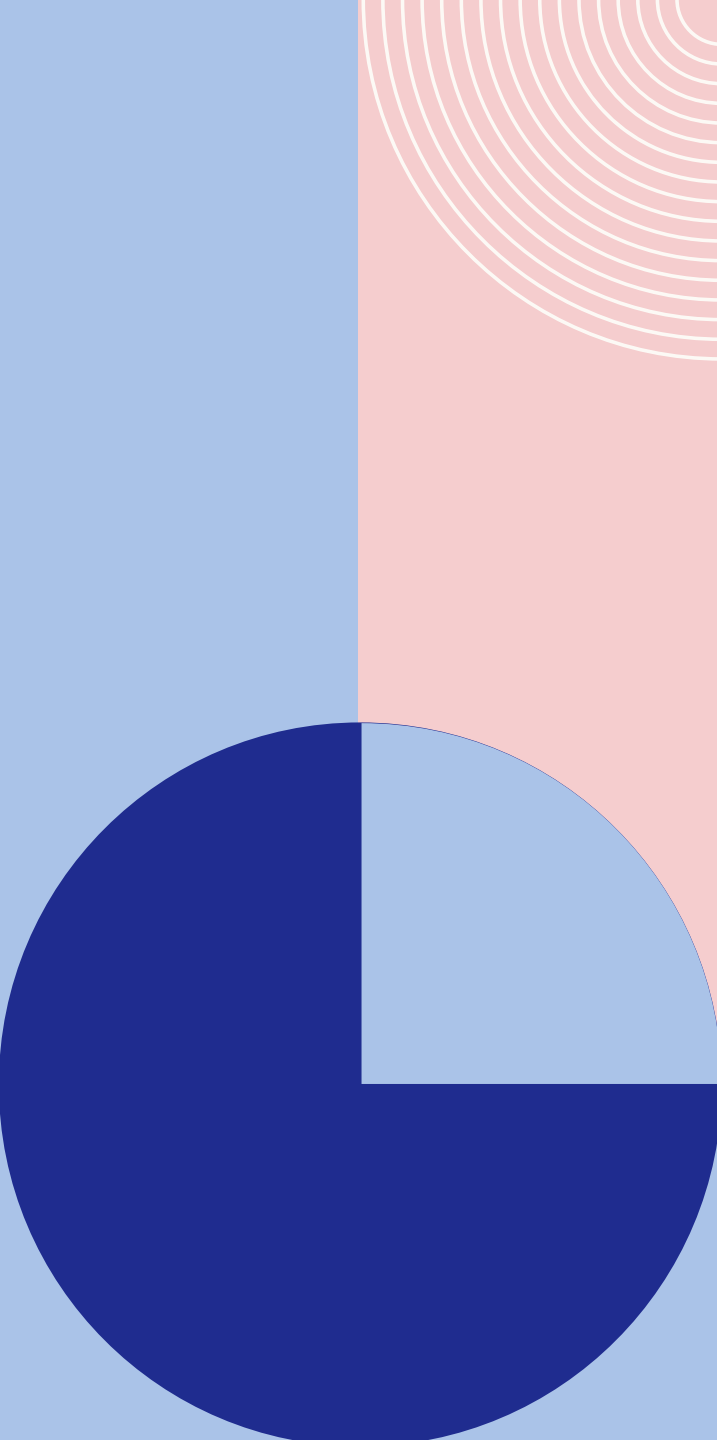


REGISTERED RECYCLER/
/PROCESSOR/INCINERATOR/SOLID
WASTE MANAGEMENT
FACILITY/SECONDARY STORAGE
POINTS/TRANSFER STATION

SUMMARY OF HON'BLE SUPREME COURT'S ORDERS

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DATE	CONTENT
19.02.2026	General Framework on implementation of Solid Waste Management Rules,2026
29.04.2026	Mapping of Ministries and Actionable Points to State Governments
05.05.2026	Timebound Progress Reports to be furnished by all concerned Departments of the State Governments



ROLE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

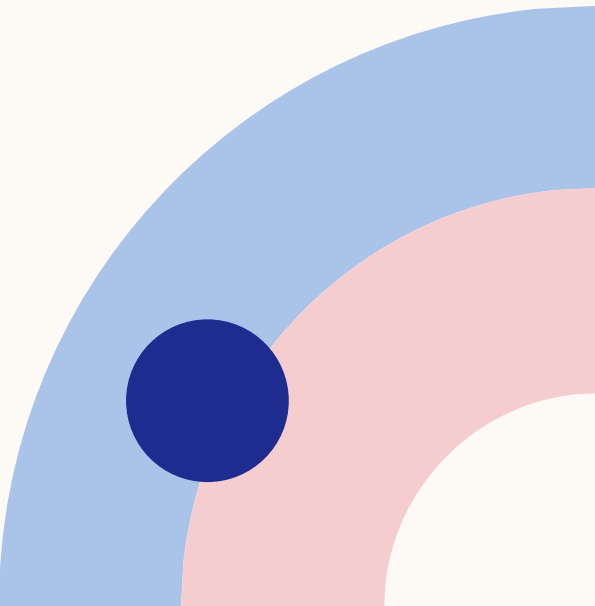
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- Ensure implementation of SWMR,2026.
- Conduct Trainings to sensitize Village Councils for implementation of SWMR,2026.
- Ensure user fees are used for Operation & Maintenance of SWM Infrastructure.
- Give special attention to areas currently not covered by existing Solid Waste Management Facilities.
- Ensure that all Rural Local Bodies onboard the Centralized Portal.
- Impose fines/penalties in case of non-compliance.

ROLE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

- Provide incentives to well performing Village Councils.
- Organize one week campaign to review the status and operational conditions of Solid Waste Management Facilities in the fourth week of June each year.
- Frame bye-laws for implementation of SWMR,2026 for Rural Local Bodies.

ROLE OF VILLAGE COUNCILS

1. Register themselves on the Centralized Portal.
 2. Mandate 4-ways segregation at source.
 3. Ensure that the collection, segregation, transportation and processing of solid waste within its jurisdiction is done in an environmentally sound manner.
 4. Prevent scattering, running off and spilling of solid waste.
 5. Organize door-to-door collection of segregated waste.
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ROLE OF VILLAGE COUNCILS

6. Facilitate composting and decentralized waste processing within their jurisdiction.
7. Prevent open dumping and open burning of waste.
8. Conduct public awareness and sanitation campaigns.
9. Integrate self-help groups, youth organizations and informal waste collectors in waste management activities.

TARGETS SET BY MINISTRY OF EF&CC PERTAINING TO RD&A DEPARTMENT

Key Parameters	Short Term (By 31 st Oct,2026)	Medium Term (By 31 st March,2027)	Long Term (By 31 st March,2029)
Implementation of 4-way source segregation	15%	30%	100%
Door to door waste collection in RLBs	50%	70%	100%
Capacity Building of RLBs			
Notification and adoption of bye laws by RLBs as per SWM Rules,2026	15%	30%	100%

Form – IV

[see, Chapter IV, rule 20(2) and Chapter V, rule 40(2)(xv)]
**Format for annual report on solid waste management to be submitted by
the local body**

CALENDAR YEAR: _____

DATE OF SUBMISSION OF REPORT: _____

1.	Name of the City or Town and State	:	
2.	Population	:	
3.	Area in sq. kilometers	:	
4.	(i) Name & Address of the local body	:	
	(ii) Telephone No.	:	
	(iii) Fax No	:	
	(iv) E-mail	:	
5.	(i) Name of officer in-charge dealing with solid waste management (Solid Waste)	:	
	(ii) Telephone No.	:	
	(iii) Fax No.	:	
	(iv) E-mail	:	
	(v) Details of Solid Waste Management Cell	:	
	(vi) No. of Staff	:	
6.	(i) Number of households in the city or town	:	
	(ii) Number of non-residential premises in the city	:	
	(iii) Number of election or administrative wards in the city or town	:	
7.	Quantity of Solid waste:		
	(i) Estimated quantity of solid waste generated in the local body area per day in metric tones	:	
	(ii) Quantity of solid waste collected per day (tonnes per day)	:	
	(iii) Per capita waste collected per day (gm/day)	:	
	(iv) Quantity of solid waste processed (tpd)	:	
	(v) Quantity of solid waste disposed at dumpsite or landfill (tonnes per day)	:	
8.	Status of Solid Waste Management (SWM) service:		
	(i) Segregation and storage of waste at source	:	
	(ii) Whether solid waste is stored at source in domestic or commercial or	:	

CONCLUSION

- IMPLEMENTATION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RULES, 2016 IS AN ONGOING CIVIL APPEAL
- PROMPT RESPONSE/TIMEBOUND ACTION IS SOLICITED FOR ALL CORRESPONDENCES ON THE MATTER
- NEXT LISTING DATE: 25.05.2026



THANK YOU