

24th August 2017

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Sub: Strict Enforcement of Waste Management Rules & Standard Operating Procedure for the Same

Your Excellency

Please refer to your tweet on August 17, 2017, on the above mentioned subject
We welcome your stand and applaud it. URJA has consistently maintained that the Delhi's perversion of Governance comes from the inability and reluctance of the State Administration and the Police to enforce the law. Delhi suffers enormously due to its de motivated officers.

We also draw your attention to clause 22(4) of the notification prescribing a time limit of 2 Years for
"enforcing waste generators to practice segregation of bio degradable, recyclable,
Combustible, sanitary waste domestic hazardous and inert solid wastes at source"

Further Clause 15 also apportions responsibilities of the Local authorities in this matter.

Since household waste can best be managed by empowering the RWA we suggest the Following S.O.P for SWM2016 implementation within RWA

1. Appoint 2 Ward level municipal officers, a Police officer and the Municipal councillor as the **Nodal SWM body** for a ward
2. Ask all RWA mandatorily to register with this Cell in the office of the Zonal Deputy Commissioner of respective ward/ Municipal councillor.
3. RWA shall nominate two members to coordinate the task with nodal body.
4. Send out a circular to all RWA that they have to follow the SWM rules and they in turn must inform their residents of the penalties
5. Since composting within colonies often brings resistance from residents, inform them that the RWA must call a meeting on this in the following manner
 - A) Send out a circular calling Residents to inform that composting has to be done and it has to be done at the expense of the residents only as per the rules.
 - B) Take suggestions on the available and usable open spaces.
 - C) Designate two meetings for resolving differences.

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- D) The Nodal SWM body will arbitrate upon & and close the dispute and send its decision to the Commissioner East/North/South Delhi Municipal Corporations
6. The RWA is to be directed to earmark a space/spaces where, if not segregated at home, household waste is segregated by the *koodewalaas* and the responsibility of ensuring the cleanliness is of the RWA with assistance from the Municipal sanitary Departments
 7. That the RWA ensure segregation of waste at source, or at least at community level to begin with, facilitate collection of segregated waste in separately, recyclable material to either the a waste pickers, *kabaadis* or the authorized recyclers. The bio-degradable waste shall be processed, treated and disposed off through composting. The residual waste shall be given to the waste collectors or agency as directed by the local body.
 8. The RWA should be assisted with incentives. Such incentive may be in lieu of reimbursing savings made on reduction of transportation cost of the garbage. The number of Voters on the electoral roll may be considered as the basis of such reimbursement. The Compost produced can also be subsidised at the already existing prescribed rates by the Government.
 9. Designate a list of approved NGO who are to assist RWA and provide Help with the Delhi Government advising CSR assistance from Delhi based companies, for 1-2 years for waste management systems to stabilize
 10. The Lt. Governor may give clear instruction on penalizing RWA which do not conform to the SWM2016 rules or the requisite provisions in the DMC act. The Lt. Governor will prescribe disciplinary action to be taken against officers found wanting in implementing the rules within the time limit prescribed in the notification.

URJA, as the apex body of RWA will assist, if needed, by your office in monitoring the progress achieved by following the S.O.P detailed above

Sincerely



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