



LEADING FOUNDATIONAL ACTIONS URGED TO RDPR

A – BROAD-SPECTRUM

Owed to the huge gap between our excellent legal framework on Wastes Management and the consistent illiteracy and inaction of most officers, magnified by lack of staff and consequent lack of response to the heavy critical environmental issues faced, we appeal

1. Pioneer **Environmental LITERACY PROGRAM** for Public Servants
2. Fill vacancies of the crucial posts directly responsible for S&LWM works
3. Deliver allocation of specific grants to GPs (alike ULBs) to develop infrastructure for S&LW Management (e.g., sanitary landfill sites, waste collection vehicles, processing facilities, etc.)
4. Urgently create permanent positions for Environmental Engineers and Health Inspectors to implement and monitor S&LWM rules and projects in the Rural sector of the State (critically struggling with lack of qualified staff for procedural guidance)
 - a) 1 Environmental Officer to each Taluk
 - b) 2 Environmental Officers to each Zilla Panchayat
 - c) 1 Health Inspector for 10 Gram Panchayats
 - d) 1 Sanitary Landfill for 10 Gram Panchayats
5. Call Summit of outstanding Environmental Engineers to propose a **Multi-sectorial Strategic Plan** with key solutions for the assessed problems, gathering out strategy for thorough Solid & Liquid Waste Management at Rural areas.

B – COASTAL

As it became well-known, marine litter, generated from a wide variety of sources, and covering an extremely wide variety of materials, is one of the most serious fast mounting environmental problems. In order to tackle it, we request

1. Initiate stern actions on Marine Litter [Policy, Literacy, Prevention and Remediation]
 - a) Call Government departments to design/conduct a **Marine Literacy Program** [available proposal]
 - b) Call Coastal GPs to pass a bylaw for **Seashore Waste Management Plan** [including chronic dumps and catchment areas]

- c) Instruct Coastal GPs to fix **alerting boards** at identified vulnerable dumping spots along with **random surveillance** by Police and all local liable Officers
2. Enforce the implementation of all Waste Rules by GPs with powers to punish their violations, and unequivocal power to cancel trade licenses of those not observing the rules.
3. Enforce implementation of strict Plastic Ban by all liable authorities by
 - a) order the removal of all Flex banners at the entire State
 - b) order ZPs, TPs & GPs to strictly stop plastic suppliers
 - c) Instruct a stern plastic control & penalties by liable Officers at all State
4. Spearhead the Strategic **PILOT PROJECT FOR MARINE LITTER** [available proposal]

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