# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2125 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.03.2021

### Withdrawal of incentive given to flyash brick industries

#### 2125. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI

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

- (a) whether Government is going to withdraw incentive given till now, by flyash Notification vide S.O. 763(E) dated 1.9.1999 and further amendments till 2016;
- (b) whether in draft notification announced vide O.M. No.HSM09/01/2019 reserving twenty per cent of dry Electrostatic Precipitator (ESP) flyash for supply, free of cost to flyash brick manufacturers, has been proposed to be abolished;
- (c) whether the said draft Notification proposes to abolish compulsory usage of flyash products by Government construction agencies; and
- (d) if so, whether Government would like to continue the earlier policy of promoting flyash bricks?

## **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) to (d) The Government has proposed a Draft Fly Ash Notificationthat has been shared with stakeholder Ministries/Departments/ Organisations, for their initial views. This aims at a comprehensive review of the existing Principal Notification and its amendments for achieving 100% utilization of fly ash generated by Coal / Lignite Thermal Power Plants.In the proposed Draft, it envisages the mandatory use of ash based products including ash bricks, tiles, sintered ash aggregate in Government building construction projects (Central, State & Local authorities, Govt. undertakings, other Govt. agencies) located within a radius of three hundred kilometres from coal or lignite based thermal power plant.

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