

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 61
TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 04, 2023**

SCIENTIFIC DISPOSAL OF WASTE AT DUMPSITE

NO. 61. SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA:

Will the Minister for HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by Government in the last five years to scientifically dispose of the waste accumulated at the dumping grounds and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether any action plan was made for the solid waste processing and legacy dumpsite remediation and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
(SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)**

(a) & (b) : Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban (SBM-U) 2.0 has been launched in October 2021, inter alia with an objective of 100% scientific management of all fractions of waste, remediation of all legacy dumpsites and converting them into green zones. The Mission supplements the efforts of States/ULBs in complying with the Municipal Solid Waste Management (SWM) Rules 2000 by providing Additional Central Assistance technical and managerial support.

It has been reported that nearly 2306 dumpsites with approx. 25 Crore MT of legacy waste have been in existence. So far, 322 dumpsites with 4.24 Crore MT waste have been remediated. Further, 1814 number of dumpsites remediation action plans have been approved for Additional Central Assistance (ACA) under SBM (U) 2.0, involving a total project cost of Rs. 8,745 Cr. and ACA of Rs. 3,578 Cr. has also been sanctioned for implementing dumpsite remediation work. An advisory has also been issued to the States/Union Territory Administrations on landfill reclamation which may be accessed at <https://sbmurban.org>.
