

**Minutes of the District Level Committee meeting for complying the Environmental Norms in Handling & Disposal of Bio-Medical Waste including COVID-19 Waste held on 08.04.2022 at 10.30AM at Res Office of The Collector & District Magistrate, Rayagada**

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Venue- Res Office of the Collector & District Magistrate, Rayagada

Date- 08.04.2022

Time- 10.30AM

The meeting of the District Level Committee for complying the Environmental Norms in Handling & Disposal of Bio-Medical Waste including COVID-19 in respect of Rayagada district was held on 08.04.2022 under the chairmanship of Sri Saroj Kumar Mishra, OAS (SAG), Collector & District Magistrate, Rayagada.

In pursuance to the order dtd 07.01.2022 of the Hon'ble NGT in O.A. No. 180 of 2021 (Mukul Kumar - Vrs- State of Uttar Pradesh & Others) & subsequent order of Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt of Odisha vide No. HFW-MEI-BIOMED-0002-2022/5427/H, dtd 15.03.2022, a District Level Committee for complying the Environmental Norms in Handling & Disposal of Bio-Medical Waste including COVID-19 Waste has been constituted with following members.

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| (1) | Collector & DM, Rayagada                      | -Chairman        |
| (2) | CDM & PHO, Rayagada                           | -Member          |
| (3) | Nominee of Superintendent of Police, Rayagada | -Member          |
| (4) | Medical Superintendent, DHH, Rayagada         | -Member          |
| (5) | Director, Christian Hospital, Bissamcuttack   | -Member          |
| (6) | Regional Officer, SPCB, Rayagada              | -Member Convener |

**The list of members present in the meeting is enclosed as Annexure-I.**

At the outset, Er P Kar, Regional Officer, SPCB, Rayagada, Member Convener of the Committee welcomed all the members and appraised the aims and objectives of the District Level Committee for complying the Environmental Norms in Handling & Disposal of Bio-Medical Waste including COVID-19 Waste in pursuant to the order dtd 07.01.2022 of the Hon'ble NGT in O.A. No. 180 of 2021.

- i. Initiating the discussion, the Chairman queried about the present status of different health care facilities operating in the district & their BMW management practices. RO, SPCB, Rayagada informed that there are about 86 nos of HCFs are operating in the District as per record out of which 27 nos. (18 nos Govt + 09nos Pvt) are Bedded and 59 nos. (34nos Govt + 25nos Pvt) are Non-Bedded HCFs. RO further informed that at present no CBWTF available in the district and each HCF has their own BMW management system.

- ii. Dr V L N Raju, DPHO, Rayagada clarified that the nearest CBWTF exist at Seragada in Ganjam District which is more than 150 Km away from Rayagada town & there is another proposal for CBWTF to be setup in Koraput.
- iii. Collector & District Magistrate, Rayagada emphasized on setting of Common Bio-medical Waste Treatment and Disposal Facility (CBWTF) and suggested to initiate action for setting up an intermittent Common Bio-medical Waste Treatment and Disposal Facility for all Government Hospitals in the district till establishment of a full-fledged CBWTF.
- iv. Further, he suggested to identify suitable land considering the safe distance from Habitations & Water Bodies for setting up the CBWTF at the earliest somewhere in close proximity of Rayagada town.
- v. Chairman asked the RO, SPCB, Rayagada for assessment of extent of land requirement for CBWTF for the Rayagada district based on the quantum of waste generation & type of treatment & disposal facilities to be adopted.
- vi. He asked the CDM & PHO, Rayagada to find out the funding source for establishment of CBWTF in consultation with State Level Agencies.
- vii. DPHO, Rayagada informed that at present no COVID-19 patients are there in the district. However, the facilities for treatment of COVID patients are in place to meet the emergencies.
- viii. Dr John Oommen, Dy Medical Superintendent of Christian Hospital, Bissam Cuttack, the Special Invitee suggested for adoption of the advanced technologies like Plasma Pyrolysis for treatment & disposal of BMW for consideration of CBWTF. He also informed that they have provided 2 x 80 KLD STP for treatment of waste water is being generated from their hospital.
- ix. RO, SPCB, Rayagada suggested for installation of incinerator to manage BMW generated from different HCFs in order to discourage the use of deep burial pit disposal practice followed by different HCFs.
- x. DPHO, Rayagada informed that construction of ETP for the DHH, Rayagada has been given to PH Department Rayagada & proposal for SDH, Gunupur are under consideration.
- xi. Collector & District Magistrate, Rayagada emphasized on constitution of a sub-committee involving Representative of District Administration, SPCB & Health Department for close monitoring regarding compliances of provisions under BMW Management Rules'2016 & to suggest for improvement.
- xii. He also stressed upon involvement of Municipality authorities and NGOs for effective management of Bio-medical wastes in the district.
- xiii. Sri L K Pattnayak, Addl SP, Rayagada suggested that Local leaders & Villagers should be taken into confidence while finalising the area to set up CBWTF to avoid any local hesitations.
- xiv. The next meeting scheduled to be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022 on virtual mode as directed by the Chairman.

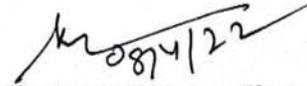
**After deliberations, following actions points have been decided for compliance;**

- ❖ All Private Hospitals, Bedded & Non-Bedded HCFs including Clinics, Patho Labs and Diagnostic Centres in the district should be brought in to the Registration system of the CDM & PHO, Rayagada to avoid any illegal activities.

- ❖ Establishment of CBWTF for all Government Hospitals in the district on war foot basis for safe disposal of BMW & COVID 19 wastes as major BMW generations are from Government HCFs.
- ❖ Installation of adequate Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) for DHH, Rayagada & SDH, Gunupur for treatment of hospital effluent on priority basis to protect local water bodies.
- ❖ Involvement of Authorities of ULBs, NGOs & outsourced authorized agencies for proper channelization of BMWs generated from different Private HCFs starting from collection to Treatment & Disposal.
- ❖ Formation of sub-committee / expert committee for close monitoring & improvement of BMW management of the District in accordance with BMW Management Rules'2016.

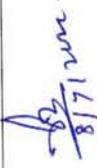
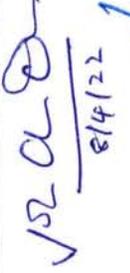
Meeting Ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

**Approved**



Collector & DM cum Chairman  
**District Level committee, Rayagada**

Attendance sheet for District Level Committee for complying the Environmental Norms in Handling & Disposal of Bio-Medical Waste including COVID-19 Waste held on 08.04.2022 at 10.30AM at Res Office of The Collector & District Magistrate, Rayagada

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04	Dr B K Mishra, Medical Superintendent, DHH, Rayagada	9437096952	
05	Dr John Oommen, Dy Medical Superintendent Christian Hospital, Bissamcuttack	9437432067	
06	Dr V L N Raju DPHO, Ryagada	9437234642	
07	Er P Kar, RO, SPCB, Rayagada (Member Convener)	9437422448	