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Applicability:

Applicable throughout India.

Curbing Plastic Pollution: MOEFCC Announces New Plastic Waste Management Rules

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEFCC) has taken a significant step towards curbing plastic pollution in India. On March 14, 2024, the MOEFCC notified the Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2024, which amends the existing Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016.

Focus on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR):

 The Amendment strengthens the EPR framework, making producers, importers, and brand owners responsible for collecting the plastic packaging they introduce into the market. This incentivizes them to design more sustainable packaging solutions.

Expanded Definition of "Importer":

The Amendment clarifies the definition of "importer" to encompass imports of various plastic products, including:

- Plastic packaging and commodities with plastic packaging.
- Carry bags and plastic sheets.
- Raw materials like resin, pellets, and intermediates used for plastic packaging and films.

Stay Informed, Take Action:

These amendments aim to create a more holistic and accountable plastic waste management system in India. Here's what you can do:

- Businesses: Review your plastic packaging practices and explore EPR compliance options.
- Individuals: Be mindful of your plastic consumption. Opt for reusable alternatives and properly dispose of plastic waste.
- Stay Updated: Follow the MOEFCC website https://moef.gov.in/moef/index.html for further details and clarifications on the Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2024.



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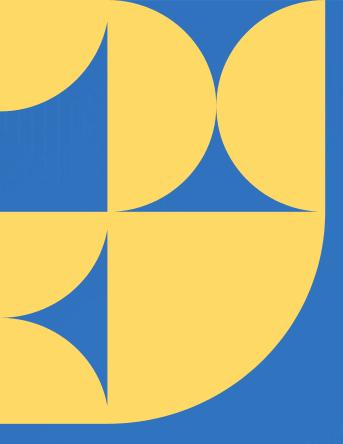
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Working Together for a Cleaner Future

By implementing these amendments, the MOEFCC is sending a strong message about its commitment to tackling plastic pollution. By working together – businesses, individuals, and the government – we can create a cleaner and more sustainable future for India.

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