Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) under P-Waste (Management)

1. What is Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)?

EPR is a producer's responsibility to manage their product in an environmentally sound way until the product's life cycle is complete.

2. Have EPR Guidelines been notified by Government?

On February 16, 2022, the Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change notified extended producer responsibility guidelines in the fourth amendment to Plastic Waste Management Rules 2016.

3. Which entities shall register on the centralized portal developed by CPCB?

The following entities shall register on the centralized portal developed by CPCB:

- I. Producer (P)
- II. Importer (I)
- III. Brand owner (BO)
- IV. Plastic Waste Processor engaged in (a) recycling, (b) waste to energy, (c) waste to oil, and (d) industrial composting.

4. Which PIBOs are required to register with CPCB?

PIBOs which are operational in more than two states/UTs are required to register with CPCB.

Note: Brand Owners (BO) including online platforms/marketplaces and supermarkets/retail chains other than those, which are micro and small enterprises as per the criteria of Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India.

5. What is Pre-consumer plastic packaging waste?

Pre-consumer plastic packaging waste" means plastic packaging waste generated in the form of reject or discard at the stage of manufacturing of plastic packaging and plastic packaging waste generated during the packaging of product including reject, discard, before the plastic packaging reaches the end-use consumer of the product.

6. What is Post-consumer plastic packaging waste?

"Post-consumer plastic packaging waste" means plastic packaging waste generated by the end-use consumer after the intended use of packaging is completed and is no longer being used for its intended purpose.