

Concept note on

Dumpsite Remediation Accelerator Programme

Background

To address the growing challenge of garbage mountains in urban India, Swachh Bharat Mission–Urban 2.0 (SBM-U 2.0) has set a clear target of achieving “Lakshya Zero Dumpsites” by September 2026. To support this goal, the central government provides financial assistance to cities considering an estimate of ₹550 per tonne for legacy waste remediation. So far, MoHUA has extended CFA of ₹4,181 crore for projects worth ₹10,228 crore, benefiting 2,484 ULBs across 28 States/UTs.

Till date, 1,048 out of 2476 dumpsites holding nearly 25 Cr MT of waste have been fully remediated, with several others are in various stages of completion. In total, 14.33 crore metric tons of legacy waste have been processed, and nearly 7,580 acres (50%) of land have been reclaimed.

To achieve the goal of Lakshya Zero Dumpsites by September 2026, cities must accelerate their remediation efforts by at least twice the current pace.

To support this, it is proposed to launch a year-long, targeted initiative under Swachh Bharat Mission–Urban 2.0, the **Dumpsite Remediation Accelerator Programme (DRAP)**. This programme adopts a fast-tracked, structured approach to remediate these dumpsites at an accelerated pace, reclaiming precious land for uses in utility services, parks, green lungs or community facilities and also prevents fresh waste accumulation.

Currently, 1,428 sites are undergoing remediation, and about 80% of the legacy waste is concentrated in 214 sites across 202 ULBs. DRAP will prioritize these high-impact locations, covering approximately 8.8 crore MT of legacy waste.

Objectives

The key objectives for the programme are to:

- I. Accelerate the ongoing dumpsite remediation efforts by ULBs
- II. Ensuring 100% dumpsite clearance within 1 year of adoption
- III. Ensuring new dumpsites do not get created through processing of fresh waste
- IV. Land under dumpsite to be reclaimed for SWM activities or developing green cover as a preference

DRAP framework

The DRAP model will follow SBM's 5P framework – Political leadership, Public financing, Partnerships, People's participation and Project management.

a) Political Leadership

Senior political and administrative leaders are encouraged to adopt one of the 202 targeted dumpsites. By leveraging a leadership-driven adoption model, DRAP aims to leverage senior leadership's oversight to drive progress and ensure the programme's success.

b) Public Financing

DRAP will offer additional financial support for select cities grappling with substantial legacy waste. This support is in addition to the funds made available to cities based on their approved CSWAPs. DRAP funding can be used for both legacy waste remediation and processing of fresh waste.

The disbursement of Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to cities is as per operational guidelines of SBMU 2.0, i.e., 25% and/or 33% and/or 50% of project cost (calculated at ₹550/tonne) based on the category of cities.

c) Partnerships

Each dumpsite is envisioned to have one or more of the following partnerships that can support the goal.

- i. Corporate/PSUs for support in financing, logistics, technical, utilization and disposal
- ii. State PWDs and State Highways Departments/NHAI will be advised to absorb inert waste from dumpsites for road construction, infrastructure and similar projects (as per policy guidelines issued by MoRTH vide circular dated 23.09.2024)
- iii. Technical partners for engineering services, remediation, assessment and validation
- iv. NGO Partners for community engagement and awareness

d) Public Advocacy

As communities living near dumpsites are often the most affected, DRAP will encourage partnering with NGOs for awareness drives and health camps, and advocacy activities for SafaiMitras, truck drivers, other workers, and nearby inhabitants.

e) Project management

DRAP's approach involves timed planning, execution, and monitoring of dumpsite remediation. It involves creating micro-action plans for each site, with clear timelines, resource allocation, and accountability mechanisms. A multi-tiered monitoring system, through digital tools and public dashboards, promotes transparency and competitiveness among ULBs.

Eligibility criteria

All States and Union Territories with ongoing legacy waste remediation projects will be included under this initiative. To ensure equitable access to funding and support, cities in the following categories will be eligible:

- I. Dumpsites with more than 45,000 metric tonnes (MT) of legacy waste
- II. Dumpsites with ongoing legacy waste remediation efforts

Note: No limitation on legacy waste availability for UTs and NE States

Using the above criteria, a total of 202 cities were shortlisted covering all States/UTs (Annex).

Approach for implementation

1. Micro-Planning by Cities: Each city will prepare micro-action plans for every dumpsite, detailing:

- i. Processing and disposal mechanisms, including identification of nearby proposed/ongoing projects, low-lying areas, industries, etc. for disposal of inert, C&D and RDF
- ii. Measures to prevent fresh waste dumping during and post-remediation
- iii. Commissioner/EO to certify the balance quantity to be remediated under DRAP
- iv. Identification of the funding gap and availability of funds for State and ULB share
- v. Agencies engaged for remediation along with an incentive proposed for acceleration/early completion of scheduled targets.
- vi. The model tender document developed by MoHUA is to be used while preparing tenders. Cities are encouraged to add a specific clause for an incentive in their contract for remediation.
- vii. Plan for utilization of remediated land
- viii. Timelines for complete remediation

The ULB will need to revise its CSWAP, incorporating the micro-plan, seek approval from SLTC and submit for NARC approval. The entire approval process is envisaged to be completed within 30 days of the submission of micro-plan.

2. Multi-Tiered Monitoring

- i. MoHUA officials will serve as nodal officers for monitoring progress.
- ii. Remediation data will be uploaded to Swachhatam portal. Dumpsites with existing IT systems will provide the daily data through API.
- iii. Dumpsites without IT monitoring system will use daily reporting format provided by MoHUA, until they install the IT infrastructure for monitoring.

3. Competitiveness and Transparency: Competition between ULBs will be encouraged to foster innovation and speed.

- i. A public dashboard will be developed to track progress across all sites
- ii. Monitoring of vehicles through GPS/RFID/digital cameras and feed to be provided to MoHUA
- iii. A leadership board will be developed, with weightage given to:
 - a. Processing efficiency
 - b. Utilization of segregated waste
 - c. Volume of waste disposed

4. Financial and Technical Support: The following additional assistance will be provided by MoHUA:

- i. Funding for setting up supplementary infrastructure
- ii. Funding for accelerating waste processing and remediation
- iii. Focused technical support for fast-tracking projects
- iv. Partnerships with PSU/others or linkages

5. Branding and Public Engagement

- i. Site-specific branding will be developed to promote visibility and community pride.
- ii. NGOs will be engaged for awareness campaigns, health camps, and worker advocacy, ensuring people's participation remains central to the programme.
- iii. These additions strengthen DRAP's core pillars—Political Leadership, Public Financing, Partnerships, and People's Participation—and ensure that remediation is not only fast-tracked but also sustainable, inclusive, and transparent.

Timelines and activities

Activity	Timeline
Formal launch of DRAP	Nov 2025
Release of operational guidelines	Within 1 week of launch
Submission of micro-plans by ULBs to SLTC	Within 30 days of launch

Approval of revised CSWAPs by SLTC & NARC	Within 30 days of submission
Site-specific branding and public engagement activities	Within 45 days of launch
Commencement of remediation activities	Immediately after plan approval
Monitoring and leadership board	Monthly, starting from Month 2
Completion of remediation	Case by case basis, with majority completed by Oct 2026

Annexure- Dumpsite Remediation Accelerator Program						
List of ULBs						
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ANDHRA PRADESH						
CHITTOOR	1	1,35,397	1,33,897	1.35	7.45	2.46
GVMC VISAKHAPATNAM	1	17,65,072	8,05,072	17.65	97.08	24.27
KAKINADA	1	3,62,375	2,46,482	3.62	19.93	6.58
KAVALI	1	1,13,081	1,04,359	1.13	6.22	2.05
MANGALAGIRI	1	1,33,266	1,32,266	0.96	5.26	2.63
NELLORE	2	6,86,810	6,82,275	6.87	37.77	12.47
PIDUGURALLA	1	77,813	76,813	0.78	4.28	2.14
RAJAHMUNDRY	1	5,12,495	2,77,815	5.13	28.19	9.30
RAYADURG	1	67,039	47,950	0.67	3.69	1.84
SRIKAKULAM	1	2,37,841	1,25,847	2.38	13.08	4.32
TADIPATRI	1	1,27,237	1,27,087	1.27	7.00	2.31
VINUKONDA	1	64,078	63,078	0.64	3.52	1.76
YEMMIGANUR	1	1,08,597	1,00,097	1.09	5.97	2.99
ARUNACHAL PRADESH						
AALO	1	2,400	2,400	0.02	0.08	0.07
ASSAM						
DIBRUGARH MC	1	80,000	79,990			
GOLAGHAT MB	1	50,000	49,931			
GUWAHATI MC	1	15,00,000	5,97,679			
SILCHAR MC	1	2,00,000	1,46,000			
TEZPUR MB	1	1,07,061	1,06,961			
TINSUKIA MB	1	50,000	50,000			
CHHATTISGARH						
RAJNANDGAON	1	26,506	2,620	-	-	-
DAMAN DIU AND DADRA NAGAR HAVELI						
SILVASSA	1	77,799	28,266			
DELHI						
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF DELHI	2	1,58,00,000	67,12,000	193.75	1,395.63	1,116.50
GOA						
MAPUSA	1	1,32,000	1,32,000			
MARGAO	1	16,18,673	15,18,613			
GUJRAT						
BHUJ	1	1,80,000	1,14,000	1.80	9.00	2.97
HARYANA						
GOHANA	1	77,410	47,410	0.77	4.24	2.12
GURGAON	1	30,00,000	23,48,849	30.00	165.00	54.45
JIND (M CL)	1	1,45,000	1,45,000	1.89	10.39	3.43
MANDI DABWALI (MC)	1	96,000	81,000	0.96	5.28	2.64
MANESAR	1	65,000	55,000			
NARWANA	1	87,561	87,511	0.88	4.82	2.41
ROHTAK	1	9,69,806	68,673			
SIRSA (M CL)	1	2,18,470	1,67,470	2.19	12.02	3.97
YAMUNANAGAR (M CL)	1	66,000	61,000	0.66	3.63	1.20
HIMACHAL PRADESH						
DHARMSALA (M CL)	1	1,04,367	45,955	1.00	5.74	5.17
MANDI (M CL)	1	1,14,468	40,253	1.14	6.30	5.70
JAMMU AND KASHMIR						
BARAMULA	1	2,09,819	2,09,819	2.10	11.54	9.23
JAMMU	1	7,23,549	5,58,549	7.24	39.80	31.84
SRINAGAR	1	11,00,000	11,00,000	11.00	60.50	48.40
JHARKHAND						
DHANBAD	1	1,95,769	1,95,769	1.96	10.78	2.69
RANCHI	1	18,03,858	15,26,710	18.04	99.21	24.80
KARNATAKA						
ARSIKERE (TMC + OG)	1	69,315	69,315	0.69	3.81	1.91
BELGAUM (M CORP. + OG)	1	3,00,000	2,70,000	3.00	16.50	5.45
BELLARY	1	2,66,214	2,66,214	2.66	14.64	4.83
BHADRAVATI	1	93,504	93,504	0.94	5.14	1.70
BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE	5	97,82,000	97,82,000	97.82	538.01	134.50
CHANNARAYAPATNA (TMC + OG)	1	77,118	77,118	0.77	4.24	2.12
CHIKKABALLAPURA (CMC)	1	48,871	48,871	0.49	2.69	1.34
CHINTAMANI (CMC)	1	46,804	46,804	0.47	2.57	1.29
CHITRADURGA (CMC + OG)	1	89,063	89,063	0.89	4.90	1.62
DAVANAGERE	1	2,41,524	1,83,524	2.42	13.28	4.38
GADAG-BETIGERI	1	81,116	81,116	0.47	2.56	1.28
GULBARGA (M CORP. + OG)	1	3,09,189	3,09,189	3.09	17.01	5.61
HASSAN	1	1,41,616	1,41,616	1.42	7.79	2.57
HUBLI-DHARWAD	1	4,79,930	2,24,930	4.80	26.40	8.71

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KOLAR (CMC)	1	45,914	45,914	0.46	2.53	0.83
KOPPAL (CMC)	1	84,800	84,800	0.85	4.66	2.33
MADIKERI (CMC)	1	76,636	76,636	0.77	4.21	2.11
MANDYA (CMC)	1	84,562	84,562	0.85	4.65	1.53
MANGALORE	1	9,00,000	7,36,977	9.00	49.50	16.34
MYSORE	1	6,00,948	54,086	6.01	33.05	10.91
RAICHUR (CMC)	1	63,252	63,252	0.63	3.48	1.15
RANIBENNUR (CMC)	1	62,753	62,753	0.63	3.45	1.14
SINDHNUR (CMC)	1	52,500	52,500	0.53	2.89	1.44
SIRSI (CMC)	1	98,323	98,323	0.98	5.41	2.70
UDUPI	1	1,34,067	1,34,067	1.34	7.37	2.43
KERALA						
KOTTAYAM (M)	1	80,000	70,000	0.80	4.40	1.45
THALASSERY (M)	1	56,783	54,283	0.57	3.12	1.56
MADHYA PRADESH						
ASHOKNAGAR	1	95,096	95,096	0.12	0.68	0.34
BURHANPUR	1	1,96,775	1,95,775	1.97	10.82	3.57
CHHATARPUR	1	1,16,232	1,07,590	1.16	6.39	2.11
CHHINDWARA	1	1,38,668	1,14,914	1.38	7.63	2.52
GUNA	1	96,000	96,000	1.76	9.68	3.19
GWALIOR	1	5,81,462	59,936	5.82	31.98	8.00
JABALPUR	1	3,00,000	3,00,000	3.00	16.50	4.13
MANIPUR						
THOUBAL	1	29,911	28,828	0.30	1.65	1.48
MEGHALAYA						
MAIRANG (TC)	1	80,000	80,000			
MIZORAM						
KHAWHAI	1	372	372			
NAGALAND						
DIMAPUR (MC)	1	4,60,000	4,60,000	1.61	8.86	7.97
KOHIMA	1	1,50,000	1,50,000	0.40	2.21	1.99
MON (TC)	1	50,000	50,000	0.50	2.75	2.48
TUENSANG (TC)	1	66,456	66,456	0.66	3.66	3.29
ODISHA						
BHUBANESWAR	1	16,00,000	9,61,603	19.44	106.91	35.28
BRAHMAPUR (M CORP)	1	1,84,759	66,259	2.06	11.30	3.73
CUTTACK	1	6,85,000	6,71,980	4.92	27.04	8.92
PURI (M)	1	3,91,904	96,565	1.32	7.23	2.39
PUDUCHERRY						
YANAM	1	25,306	3,706	0.25	1.39	1.11
PUNJAB						
AMRITSAR	1	11,00,000	6,58,000	11.00	60.50	15.13
JALANDHAR	1	8,00,000	7,75,000	0.20	1.10	0.55
KHANNA (M CL)	1	66,713	58,213	0.67	3.67	1.21
LUDHIANA	1	21,00,000	16,20,000	16.00	88.00	22.00
MANSA	1	1,49,000	88,000	1.49	8.20	4.10
MOGA	1	2,14,000	2,14,000	2.14	11.77	3.88
PHAGWARA	1	4,05,000	3,92,500	4.05	22.28	11.14
SANGRUR	1	1,14,000	1,07,053	1.14	6.27	3.14
RAJASTHAN						
AJMER	1	3,77,400	3,77,400	3.77	20.76	6.85
BARI (M)	1	92,457	92,457	0.93	5.09	2.54
BARMER (M)	1	60,390	60,390	0.60	3.32	1.66
BASNI	1	49,376	49,376	0.49	2.72	1.36
BIKANER	2	16,64,727	15,26,656	6.65	36.56	12.06
CHIRAWA (M)	1	92,997	67,997	0.93	5.11	2.56
DAUSA (M)	1	1,22,870	1,22,870	1.23	6.76	3.38
DUNGARPUR (M)	1	73,167	62,267	0.73	4.02	2.01
JAIPUR GREATER (MC)	1	11,91,091	98,795	11.91	65.51	16.38
JAIPUR HERITAGE (MC)	1	6,81,455	68,131	6.82	37.48	9.37
JAISALMER (M)	1	2,11,817	1,68,565	2.12	11.65	5.83
JHUNJHUNUN (M CL)	1	92,000	61,735	0.92	5.06	1.67
JODHPUR SOUTH (MC)	1	3,99,718	51,218	4.00	21.99	7.26
KHATUSHYAMJI (M)	1	47,391	47,391	0.47	2.61	1.30
KOTA NORTH (MC)	1	11,33,050	11,33,050	11.33	62.32	20.56
MALPURA (M)	1	58,164	58,164	0.58	3.20	1.60
NASIRABAD	1	77,147	77,147	0.77	4.24	2.12
NATHDWARA (M)	1	65,857	54,555	0.66	3.62	1.81
NOKHA (M)	1	55,909	55,909	0.56	3.08	1.54

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PALI (M CL)	1	58,500	58,500	0.59	3.22	1.06
RAMGARH (M)	1	1,07,950	1,02,950	0.03	0.18	0.09
RAMGRAH	1	54,523	54,523	0.03	0.16	0.08
SAWAI MADHOPUR (M)	1	53,636	53,336	0.54	2.95	0.97
SHEOGANJ (M)	1	47,919	47,919	0.48	2.64	1.32
UDAIPURWATI (M)	1	49,438	49,438	0.49	2.72	1.36
SIKKIM						
GANGTOK	1	2,33,823	46,323	2.66	14.61	3.23
TAMIL NADU						
CHENNAI	2	91,01,773	62,03,139	86.53	475.89	118.97
CHINNAMANUR	1	63,300	48,341	0.63	3.48	1.74
COIMBATORE	1	7,43,257	7,43,257	7.43	40.88	10.22
MADURAI	1	4,34,641	3,24,954	4.35	23.91	5.98
NAGARCOIL	1	1,53,000	1,49,660			
TELANGANA						
ADILABAD	1	1,16,834	55,903	0.97	5.33	1.76
BODHAN (M)	1	48,355	48,325	0.48	2.66	1.33
JAGTIAL	1	65,400	65,400	0.65	3.60	1.19
KAGAZNAGAR	1	63,619	63,494	0.01	0.07	0.04
KAMAREDDY	1	77,269	77,269	0.65	3.55	1.17
KARIMNAGAR	1	2,25,800	1,30,300	2.26	12.42	4.10
KHAMMAM	1	2,62,241	2,03,061	2.70	14.85	4.90
MAHABUBABAD	1	62,685	62,685	0.40	2.21	1.11
MAHBUBNAGAR	1	1,50,000	1,03,000	1.32	7.28	2.40
MANCHERIAL	1	62,431	62,431	0.19	1.05	0.52
NALGONDA	1	64,278	64,278	1.03	5.67	1.87
NASPUR	1	49,003	49,003	0.12	0.63	0.32
NIZAMABAD	1	3,51,532	3,10,275	4.60	25.29	8.35
PEDDAPALLI	1	45,479	45,479	0.03	0.14	0.07
SIRCILLA	1	86,554	46,269	0.05	0.30	0.15
SURYAPET	1	80,000	50,000	0.80	4.40	1.45
VEMULAWADA(NP)	1	44,372	44,372	0.02	0.12	0.06
TRIPURA						
AGARTALA	1	3,32,000	52,000	3.20	17.60	15.84
UTTAR PRADESH						
ALIGARH (M. Corp)	1	4,47,912	4,47,912	2.00	11.00	2.75
BAHERI (NPP)	1	55,000	55,000	0.20	1.10	0.55
BAREILLY (M. Corp)	1	5,75,578	5,75,151	0.55	3.03	1.51
JHINJHAK (NPP)	1	58,265	58,265	0.58	3.20	1.60
KANNAUJ (NPP)	1	33,385	33,385			
LALITPUR (NPP)	1	51,739	51,739			
MEERUT (M Corp)	1	4,70,936	4,05,000			
MEERUT CANTT.	1	50,000	50,000			
MIRZAPUR-CUM-VINDHYACHAL	1	8,804	8,804	0.08	0.41	0.21
UTTARAKHAND						
HALDWANI	1	2,07,200	80,000	2.07	11.39	10.26
HARDWAR	2	4,21,112	2,04,110	4.02	22.11	19.90
TEHRI	1	59,888	59,888			
WEST BENGAL						
ASHOKENAGAR KALYANGARH	1	90,000	60,941	0.90	5.85	1.63
BALURGHAT (M)	1	1,20,000	50,298	1.20	7.80	2.17
BANKURA (M)	1	3,00,000	1,73,372	3.00	19.50	5.44
BARDDHAMAN (M)	1	2,20,000	58,626	2.20	14.30	3.99
CHAKDAHA (M)	1	58,000	58,000	0.58	3.77	1.60
DARJILING (M)	1	1,00,000	1,00,000	1.00	6.50	1.82
DURGAPUR	1	4,50,000	1,50,000	4.50	29.25	8.17
ENGLISHÂ BAZAR (M)	1	1,50,000	1,46,750	1.50	9.75	2.72
HOWRAH (M Corp)	1	10,00,000	4,70,252	12.00	78.00	16.50
KALIMPONG (M)	1	95,000	95,000	0.95	6.18	2.61
KAMARHATI	1	5,00,000	4,31,039	5.00	32.50	9.07
KOLKATA (M CORP.)	2	41,50,000	26,50,000			
KRISHNANAGAR (M)	1	1,00,000	48,471	1.00	6.50	1.82
KURSEONG (M)	1	75,000	75,000	0.75	4.88	2.06
MAHESHTALA (M)	1	3,00,000	89,624	3.00	19.50	5.44
MURSHIDABAD (M)	1	1,00,000	-	1.00	6.50	2.75
NABADWIP (M)	1	1,50,000	66,268	1.50	9.75	2.72
NAIHATI (M)	1	3,50,000	50,056	3.50	22.75	6.35
PANIHATI (M)	1	1,50,000	1,01,950	1.50	9.75	2.72
PURULIYA (M)	1	55,000	55,000	1.00	6.50	1.82

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SANTIPUR (M)	1	92,000	72,318	0.92	5.98	1.67
SOUTH DUMDUM (M)	1	14,00,000	6,23,539	14.00	91.00	25.41
Maharashtra	Reserved					
Bihar	Reserved					
Grand Total	214	13,02,73,139	9,24,83,832	1,221	6,697	2,716