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PARLIAMENT QUESTION: Compliance of End-of-Life Vehicles Rules, 2025

Notified on January 6, 2025, by the MoEF&CC and effective April 1, 2025, these rules aim to regulate end-of-life vehicle (ELV) disposal through waste reduction, recycling, and reuse. Key provisions include mandatory producer registration, bulk consumer reporting, establishment of collection centers, awareness campaigns, and a centralized online portal for compliance tracking. These measures enhance uniform enforcement across waste streams.

Official Notification: Environment Protection (End-of-Life Vehicles) Rules, 2025

Consent to Establish / Operate under Air & Water Acts

The MoEF&CC issued guidelines on January 29-30, 2025, to streamline consent for industrial plants, outlining procedures for obtaining, renewing, and revoking CTE and CTO, with set timelines and hearing provisions.

Official Notification: New Guidelines for Issuance of Consent under the Air and Water Act

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Battery Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2025: Key Updates and Implications

On February 24, 2025, the MoEF&CC amended the Battery Waste Management Rules, requiring barcodes or QR codes with EPR numbers on battery packaging. The EPR number must also be included in product brochures.

Official Notification: Battery Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2025

CPCB issues Guidelines for Authorization of Extended Producer Responsibility Electronic Trading and Settlement Platform Operator; obligated entities having EPR obligation not to be empanelled as ETP Provider

The Central Pollution Control Board has issued Guidelines for Authorization of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Electronic Trading and Settlement Platform (EPRETP) Operator ("Guidelines"). The Guidelines provides for a platform which will facilitate the obligated entities in meeting Extended Producer Responsibility ("EPR") targets by purchasing EPR certificates from the waste processors, in transparent and fair manner, provision for setting up of electronic trading platform and Settlement Platform ("EPRETP") has been made under the EPR Framework for Plastic Waste, E-Waste, Battery, Waste Tyre and Used Oil.

Official Notification: Guidelines for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Electronic Trading Platform (ETP)