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Dear Mission Directors,

References have been received by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) regarding development of specially designed landfills for inerts to meet the condition under Section 7.2 of protocol for ‘Star Rating for Garbage Free Cities’ (GFC Star Rating).

2. The matter has been examined. In order to qualify for 3 Star or above, under GFC Star Rating, the city is required to have scientific/sanitary landfill or should be a zero landfill city (landfill not required). However, a city having a simple landfill site accepting only inerts or construction & demolition waste may not require any scientific/sanitary landfill. Hence, such a city will be exempted from the requirement of scientific/sanitary landfill provided-

I. Only inerts/process rejects (like dust, debris, stones etc.,) are accepted at such a landfill site
II. Wet waste, recyclable waste, non-recyclable dry waste/process rejects, which have a calorific value, are not accepted at such landfill sites.
III. It should have a concrete base, which does not allow the leachate (if any) to percolate to the ground
IV. Environmental clearance, if required, is taken from the State Pollution Control Board
V. Approval of High Powered Committee/State Level Advisory Committee has been obtained for such landfills.

3. We look forward to your proactive leadership to make the Swachh Bharat Mission a success.

Yours sincerely,

(V.K. Jindal)

To:
Mission Directors of the States/UTs

CC: Municipal Commissioners/Executive Officers of all ULBs