**OFFICE ORDER**

**Subject:** Constitution of Committee for Circular Economy in Tyre and Rubber Recycling Industry- reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to NITI Aayog’s OM vide F.No.13(26)/2021-I&M(I) dated 4th March, 2021 regarding Constitution of Committee for Circular Economy in Tyre and Rubber Recycling Industry. In this regard, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby constitutes a committee for preparation of action plan for transformative change in Tyre and Rubber Recycling Industry with the following composition:

| (i) | Shri Ravi Agarwal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change | Chairman |
| (ii) | Shri Avinash Mishra, Adviser (E&F), NITI Aayog | Member |
| (iii) | Shri Prabhjot Sodhi, Head, Circular Economy, UNDP India | Member |
| (iv) | Shri Vishesh Agarwal, Director, All India Rubber & Tyre Recyclers Association (AIRTRA) | Member |
| (v) | Shri K.M. Mammen, CMD, MRF Ltd. and Chairman Automotive Tyres Manufacturers’ Association (ATMA) | Member |
| (vi) | Dr. K. Rajkumar, Director, Indian Rubber Manufacturers Research Association (IRMRA) | Member |
| (vii) | Shri Gaurav Sekhri, Tinna Rubber and Infrastructure Limited | Member |
| (viii) | Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Director, CSIR-National Environmental Engineering Research Institute | Member |
| (ix) | Shri Sudhir Shrivastava, Chairman, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board | Member |
| (x) | Shri Naresh Pal Gangwar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change | Member |
| (xi) | Shri Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board | Member |
(xii) Dr. Dharmendra Kumar Gupta, Scientist ‘F’, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Member
(xiii) Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh, Scientist ‘E’, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Member

2. The Terms of Reference of the committee is given at Annexure-I. The Final Comprehensive action plan shall be prepared within 45 days from the constitution of the committee.

3. The Secretarial assistance to the committee will be provided by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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To:

1. The Chairman and all Members of the Committee

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Constitution of Committee for Circular Economy in Tyre and Rubber Recycling Industry

Terms of Reference:

i. The committee shall work towards producing a comprehensive action plan for implementation of circular economy in the area for which it has been constituted.

ii. The action plan produced must be thorough and comprehensive and should clearly list out the actions, the stakeholders which are required to take action as well as the timelines which are necessary for achieving the aim of transitioning from a linear to a circular economy in the particular area.

iii. The action plan must also build on previous studies undertaken and previous reports published. The findings of such reports, studies and action plans must be studied in depth and the status of the findings and recommendations must be brought out in the report which shall be submitted.

iv. For the purposes of producing this report, the committee shall strive to carry out extensive stakeholder consultations with the public and private sector, academia, think tanks, ministries, departments of central and state government, ULBs and all other relevant stakeholders (as necessary).

v. Global as well as domestic experiences and best practices must be brought out in this report along with how these can be practiced / implemented in India.

vi. The Chair of the committee shall nominate domain experts as well as industry representatives as Members of the sub-committee.

vii. Further, the Chair may co-opt any other experts / individuals as members of this committee to aid the functioning.

viii. Each committee shall have one representative from the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) so as to bring synergies between the functioning of each committee and MoEF&CC. The representative shall be nominated by Secretary, MoEF&CC.

ix. The committee shall meet periodically to review the progress made.

x. The committees shall interact with each other to ensure that synergies are drawn between the action plans which are evolved for various focus areas.

xi. The final comprehensive action plan shall be prepared within 45 days from the constitution of the committee.

xii. Post the submission of the report, the committee shall carry out modalities necessary to ensure the effective implementation of the findings and recommendations.