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UD & PA MINISTER LAUNCHES NEW SYSTEM FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT: '4-STREAM WASTE SEGREGATION AND DOOR TO DOOR COLLECTION'

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Aizawl, 17th September 2026: A new system for segregating and collecting household waste within the city of Aizawl, titled '4-Stream Waste Segregation and Door-to-Door Collection', was launched at the AMC Auditorium in Thuampu. The initiative, spearheaded by the Aizawl Municipal Corporation (AMC), is implemented in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Rules 2026. Pu K. Sapdanga, Minister of the Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation Department, attended as the Chief Guest, while Pu Khilli Ram Meena, Chief Secretary of the Government of Mizoram, was the Guest of Honour.

At the launch ceremony, UD & PA Minister Pu K. Sapdanga stated that cleanliness is one of the most important benchmarks of progress and civilization across the world. He emphasized that for individuals, families, communities, villages, states, and nations to advance, there must be a fondness for cleanliness, as well as a strong emphasis on education and active efforts toward maintaining it.

The Minister mentioned that some writers and travelers frequently list Aizawl among the cleanest cities in India. He urged the leaders and overseers of the various AMC Wards to continue striving to lead the way in cleanliness. He noted that while a two-category waste segregation system had been successfully implemented across all localities in Aizawl for some time, households will now be required to separate waste into four categories under the Solid Waste Management Rules. As this initiative is a vital arrangement toward building clean, beautiful, and healthy communities, he stated that the joint cooperation of every household, local councils, and churches is essential for its success.

Pu K. Sapdanga further remarked that achieving sustainable cleanliness requires intertwining the values of hygiene with the traditional Mizo spirit of tlawmngaihna (selflessness/community service). He commended the ongoing implementation of the '4-Stream Waste Segregation & Door-to-Door Collection' across seven AMC Wards as exemplary. He added that it is vital to pursue cleanliness while keeping the true spirit of tlawmngaihna alive, noting that hygiene aligns perfectly with religious faith. He also acknowledged the highly effective role of local communities and churches in promoting hygiene education.

The Guest of Honour, Chief Secretary Pu Khilli Ram Meena, pointed out that the Supreme Court places immense importance on systematic waste collection and processing. He stated that the Supreme Court requires the Solid Waste Management Rules to be fully implemented on the ground before March 31, 2027. He explained that the rules aim to process waste collected from every locality under the Aizawl Municipality so that as much of it as possible can be recycled into useful materials.

AMC Mayor Pu H. Lalremtluanga urged the 32 localities within the seven covered wards to lead by example and set a standard for other wards to follow. He invited everyone in attendance to work toward making Aizawl the cleanest city, thereby adding to its existing reputation outside the state as a 'Silent City'.

During the launch program, Pu Joseph H. Lalramsanga, IAS, Municipal Commissioner of the AMC, delivered the welcome address, while Pu Lalremruata Kullai, Joint Municipal Commissioner, explained the features and framework of the Solid Waste Management Rules. Committee members from AMC Wards 8 and 18 shared reports on how they are currently practicing the '4-Stream Waste Segregation and Door-to-Door Collection' system. Pu C. Lalmuanawma, Town Planner, concluded the event with a vote of thanks. The program was attended by AMC Executive Corporators, Corporators, Ward Council members, officials from the UD&PA Department, and NGO leaders.

Under the '4-Stream Waste Segregation' system, waste is divided into four distinct categories:

1. Wet Waste: Biodegradable/degradable waste.
2. Dry Waste: Non-biodegradable but recyclable/processable waste.
3. Sanitary Waste: Non-biodegradable waste that requires careful wrapping and disposal.

4. Special Care Waste: Hazardous waste that poses risks to the environment, soil, and human health.

Each category of waste will have an entirely different color-coded bin. In addition to separate household bins, dedicated systems will be set up specifically for the transportation, processing, and final disposal of each waste stream.

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