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Shri Dr. A. B. Akolkar Member Secretary **Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)** New Delhi

Subject: Capacity Building on Waste Management for Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and Local Regulators (LR)

Dear Shri Akolkarji,

As discussed in the meeting on 2nd March, 2017 in IHC on Solid Waste Management organised by CPCB, I would like to bring into your notice that Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), New Delhi is carrying out capacity building programmes for Pollution Control Board officials under the tripartite agreement between CSE, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Central Pollution Control Board. Till recent time, we have trained more than 850 officials from State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs) and ULBs under short and long term programme.

Apart from this, CSE is also actively working in the field of solid waste management and working on the development of capacity of ULBs in the sphere. We recently published our report on SWM titled 'Not in My Backyard: Status of Solid Waste Management in Indian Cities'. The book is an attempt to highlight the present status of solid waste management in the country and what should be the way ahead. The Hon'ble Minister of Urban Development, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, highlighted the need to circulate this exhaustive report across all states, to urban planners for sound waste management. As per his direction, the MoUD had issued all ULBs to use this report for planning purposes for waste management.

Past two years, CSE has been actively engaging itself with ULBs across the country to spread the message of sanitation and waste management. We have developed a wide network and have conducted regional meetings in the four zones of the country on waste management.

We understand that Central Pollution Control Board is planning to appoint agencies to conduct training programmse for capacity building of officials from ULBs and Local Regulators on waste management. With our credentials as narrated above, I hope you will favourably consider our candidature for this prestigious assignment.

Looking forward for a positive response from your end.

Yours cordially

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