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## **Press Release**

## **Bhopal Environmental Remediation Oversight Committee Constituted**

The Union Cabinet at its meeting held on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010 approved the setting up of an Oversight Committee in the Ministry of Environment and Forests to coordinate and monitor all activities at the Bhopal Gas Tragedy site relating to waste disposal, decontamination and remediation.

While the primary responsibility for waste disposal, decontamination and remediation will be that of the state government, the Oversight Committee will ensure that the requisite technical, financial, logistics and other support is available to the state government and its authorities at all times, while remedial action is taken.

In consultation with the state government, an Oversight Committee with the following composition is hereby constituted:-

- 1.Minister of State(I/C)Environment & Forests, GOI Chairman
- 2.Minister- In-charge, Deptt. of Bhopal Gas Tragedy
  Relief and Rehabilitation, GoMP Co-Chairman
- 3.Minister for Environment, GoMP
- 4.Secretary, Deptt. of Bhopal Gas Tragedy Relief & Rehabilitation , GoMP
- 5. Commissioner, Bhopal
- 6.Principal Secretary(Finance), GoMP
- 7.Secretary,MoE&F
- 8. Secretary, Chemicals & Petrochemicals, GOI
- 9. Secretary, Deptt. of Science & Technology
- 10.AS&FA, MoE&F
- 11. Chairman, CPCB
- 12. Chairman, MPCB
- 13. Director, IICT, Hyderabad
- 14. Director, NEERI, Nagpur
- 15. Director, NGRI, Hyderabad
- 16.Joint Secretary (Hazardous Substances Mgmt Divn),
  MoE&F Convenor