

ABSTRACT

Bio-Medical Waste present occupational health risk if it is not properly segregate, package, store, transport, treated and dispose off. Apart from the personnel engaged in the process of management, common people and broadly the environment are also affected due to its ill effect. Improper management of the waste has been a cause of concern due to the rise in the health care institutions throughout the country. Therefore, the necessity arises for the proper management and disposal of it. Such waste is highly dangerous and sources of infection to diseases like Hepatitis B & C and AIDS for which a new thought is the necessity of the hours. The hospital administration as well as the concern pollution control department of the Government is not showing serious concern for the proper management and disposal of the Bio-Medical Waste taking appropriate measures such as providing proper training, education, adequate guidance, adoption of modern technology etc. in the management of the same.

It is the duty of the of the occupier, where required to set-up requisite Bio-Medical Waste treatment facilities for the treatment and dispose off the waste, or ensure requisite treatment of waste at a common waste treatment facility. However, lack of knowledge and awareness among the health care personnel in particular and the public in general the same is creating problem in the way of proper implementation of the Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016.

With a cooperative and positive attitude the concern department of the Government and the health care institutions including the Government and private hospitals and nursing homes should discharge their respective function properly in order to curb the menace of the Bio-Medical Waste. Much paper work has been done but effective implementation of the same is still at sea. A scientific and universal Bio-Medical Waste strategy is the need of the hour.