

What is a PIBO?

1. **“Producer”** means persons engaged in manufacture or import of carry bags or multilayered packaging or plastic sheets or like, and includes industries or individuals using plastic sheets or like or covers made of plastic sheets or multilayered packaging for packaging or wrapping the commodity;
2. **“Importer”** means a person who imports or intends to import and holds an Importer -Exporter Code number, unless otherwise specifically exempted.
3. **“Brand owner”** means a person or company who sells any commodity under a registered brand label.

Responsibility of Producers, Importers and Brand Owners :-

The producers, **within a period of six months** from the date of publication of these rules, shall work out modalities for waste collection system based on **Extended Producers Responsibility** and **involving State Urban Development Departments**, either individually or collectively, through their own distribution channel or through the local body concerned.

Primary responsibility for **collection of used multi-layered plastic sachet or pouches or packaging** is of Producers, Importers and Brand Owners who introduce the products in the market. They need to establish a system for collecting back the plastic waste generated due to their products. This **plan of collection** is to be submitted to the **State Pollution Control Boards** while applying for **Consent to Establish or Operate or Renewal**. The **Brand Owners** whose consent has been renewed before the notification of these rules shall **submit such plan within one year** from the date of notification of these rules and implement with two years thereafter.

Manufacture and use of **non- recyclable multilayered plastic** if any should be phased out in Two years time.

The **producer, within a period of three months** from the **date of final publication** of these rules in the **Official Gazette** shall apply to the **Pollution Control Board or the Pollution Control Committee**, as the case may be, of the **States or the Union Territories** administration concerned, for **grant of registration**.

No producer shall on and **after the expiry of a period of Six Months** from the **date of final publication** of these rules in the **Official Gazette** manufacture or **use any plastic or multilayered packaging** for **packaging of commodities** without registration from the concerned **State Pollution Control Board** or the **Pollution Control Committees**

Every producer shall maintain a record of **details of the person engaged in supply of plastic used as raw material to manufacture carry bags or plastic sheet or like** or cover made of plastic sheet or multilayered packaging.