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Ban on single use plastics by Govt has to be backed up by awareness & incentives. Justify.

The ban on single use plastics comes in to effect. This is a significant step in removing the plastics pollution from the environment.

India produces 20 million tonnes of plastic waste annually and only 50% is being recycled. The new EPR rules has mandated to recycle 50% of plastics used.

Strengthening the flow

Increasing the micron size to 120 from 70 by ~~end~~ year end can reduce plastic ~~de~~ dumping.

Consumers must be encouraged by brand owners to return the empty used bottles along with a discount.

The brand owners in turn can be incentivised by tax breaks and CSR benefits for proper compliance with the rules.

General public must be educated about the ill effect of irresponsible plastic use. Syllabus can be added at schools and college levels.

Research must be funded and encouraged for biodegradable plastics and plastics from waste substance strengthening circular economy.

Recycling must be expanded with proper funding to municipalities so that plastics are used and disposed in an environmentally sound way.