

*Government Notice No. 82 of 2025***THE WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCE
RECOVERY ACT 2023****Regulations made by the under section 50 of the Waste
Management and Resource Recovery Act 2023**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Waste Management and Resource Recovery (Registration of Scavenging Contractor) Regulations 2025.
2. In these regulations –
 - “Act” means Waste Management and Resource Recovery Act 2023;
 - “facility” means a place where the scavenging contractor –
 - (a) keeps his vehicles which are used for the purpose of transporting wastes; and
 - (b) transits wastes that are collected prior to depositing them at the waste management facility.
3. These regulations shall apply to the collection and transportation of solid waste.
4. No person shall operate as a scavenging contractor unless he is registered as a scavenging contractor.
5. (1) Any person who intends to operate as a scavenging contractor shall make an application to the Minister in the form set out in the First Schedule.

(2) On receipt of an application made under paragraph (1), the Minister may –

- (a) cause an inspection of the vehicles which the applicant intends to use for the purpose of collecting and transporting wastes;
- (b) cause an inspection of such place as the applicant intends to use as a facility; and
- (c) require the applicant to provide such additional information as he deems necessary.

6. (1) The Minister may approve or refuse an application made under regulation 5(1).

(2) Where the Minister approves an application, he shall, on payment of the fee specified in the Second Schedule, issue a certificate of registration in the form set out in the Third Schedule.

(3) Where the Minister refuses the application, he shall, not later than 21 days of his decision, inform the applicant accordingly.

(4) The certificate of registration issued under paragraph (2) –

- (a) shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Minister may determine; and
- (b) shall not be transferrable.

(5) (a) A certificate of registration issued under these regulations shall be valid for a period of 3 years and may be renewed for further periods of 3 years.

(b) An application for the renewal of a certificate of registration shall be made at least one month before the expiry of the certificate of registration.

(c) The application under subparagraph (b) shall be –

- (i) made in the form set out in the First Schedule; and

- (ii) accompanied by such fee as may be specified in the Second Schedule.

(d) Any person who makes an application for the renewal of his certificate of registration after the expiry of the delay shall, together with the application fee, be liable to a surcharge of 35 per cent.

(6) (a) Where a certificate of registration has been lost, destroyed, or defaced, the registered scavenging contractor shall make an application to the Minister for the issue of a duplicate certificate of registration.

(b) The supervising officer shall, on being satisfied that the certificate of registration has been lost, destroyed or defaced, issue a duplicate certificate of registration.

(c) Where a scavenging contractor finds the original certificate of registration after a duplicate thereof is issued to him, he shall forthwith surrender the original certificate of registration to the Minister.

7. (1) Where a scavenging contractor –

- (a) has furnished false information at the time of his application for registration;
- (b) has furnished false information subsequent to the application for registration;
- (c) no longer satisfies the conditions for registration;
- (d) has been convicted of an offence under the Act or these regulations;
- (e) has breached or not complied with any terms and conditions of the certificate of registration;
- (f) has ceased to operate as a scavenging contractor; or

- (g) operates his business in such a manner as may affect the health of, or be a source of nuisance to, the public,

the Minister may, cancel the registration.

(2) Before cancelling the registration, the scavenging contractor shall be served a notice by registered post, requiring him to show cause, within 21 days from the date of the notice, why his registration should not be cancelled.

(3) The Minister may, on being satisfied that it is expedient and in the public interest to do so, cancel the registration of a scavenging contractor.

8. Every scavenging contractor shall display a copy of his certificate of registration in a conspicuous place at his office.

9. Every scavenging contractor shall forthwith notify the supervising officer, in writing, of any change in address of the facility.

10. The Department shall keep and maintain a register of scavenging contractors, in which shall be entered –

- (a) the name, address and contact details of every scavenging contractor; and
- (b) such other particulars as the Minister may determine.

11. (1) The supervising officer may, without prior notice, make arrangements for on-site inspections of the vehicles used for the collection and transportation of solid wastes.

(2) Every scavenging contractor shall allow access or cause access to be provided for the purpose of paragraph (1).

12. (1) No public body shall enter into a contract for the collection and transportation of solid wastes with a scavenging contractor unless that scavenging contractor is registered under these regulations.

(2) Every public body shall, for the purpose of procuring the services of a scavenging contractor, require every registered scavenging contractor who bids accordingly to submit a copy of his certificate of registration.

13. Any person who contravenes these regulations shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 25,000 rupees.

14. A certificate of registration issued under the Local Government (Registration of Scavenging Contractors) Regulations 2004 which is valid and in force on the coming into operation of these regulations, shall –

- (a) be deemed to have been issued under these regulations; and
- (b) remain valid for a period of 60 days from the date of coming into operation of these regulations.

15. These regulations shall come into operation on 1 October 2025.

Made by the Minister on 22 September 2025.

FIRST SCHEDULE

[Regulation 5(1)]

**APPLICATION/RENEWAL FOR REGISTRATION AS
SCAVENGING CONTRACTOR**[under the Waste Management and Resource Recovery
(Registration of Scavenging Contractor) Regulations 2025]**1. Particulars of scavenging contractor**

Name of applicant

National Identity Card no.

Contact details

Telephone no. Mobile no.

Fax no. Email Address

Residential address Office address

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Address of facility

2. Scavenging vehicles owned

SN	Lorry type *1	Age (Yrs)	Volume of lorry basket (caisson) (m ³)	Load capacity (Tonnes)	Type of waste transported *2	Waste carrier licence no.

Notes

- *1 Non-tipper, tipper, compactor, roll on-roll off, truck trailer, others to specify
- *2 Type A: All solid waste
Type B: Bulky waste, construction and demolition waste, carton waste, paper waste, plastic waste, textile waste, used tyres and wood waste

3. Personnel employed

Staff position		Quantity	Years of employment with the company
Manager			
Technical staff	Technical Officer		
Supervisory staff }	Supervisor		
	Foreman		
Skilled labour }	Electrician		
	Plumber		
	Mechanics		
	Welder		
Unskilled labour }	Cleaners		
	Grass Cutters		
	Others, (to specify)		

4. Financial standing for the last 3 consecutive years

Description	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Total turnover			
Turnover pertaining to scavenging contracts			
Working Capital			

5. Experience of the firm in providing scavenging services**(1) Completed contracts**

Client	Description of service	Year	Project value (Rs)	Remarks (if any)

(2) Ongoing contracts in providing scavenging services

Client	Description of service	Year	Project value (Rs)	Remarks (if any)

6. Documents accompanying an application

The following documents should be submitted together with an application for registration under these regulations –

- (a) proof of experience claimed (letter of acceptance/ agreement from clients);
- (b) testimonials from client(s) for satisfactory works performed where applicable;
- (c) copy of articles of Association or Constitution of the company and copy of Certificate of Incorporation where applicable;
- (d) financial statement for the last 3 financial years; and
- (e) proof of ownership of at least 2 tipper lorries.

7. I certify that all information given in this present application is true.

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Signature of applicant

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Name of applicant

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Capacity of applicant
(Owner, Director, others)

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Date

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Seal of Company/Firm (where applicable)

SECOND SCHEDULE

[Regulation 6(1)]

FEEs

	(Rs)
1. Fee for registration as scavenging contractor	20,000
2. Renewal fee for registration as scavenging contractor	20,000

THIRD SCHEDULE

[Regulation 6(2)]

**CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS
SCAVENGING CONTRACTOR**

Mr/Mrs (name) of
..... (address) is hereby registered as
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Particulars of registration

Date of issue of certificate Fee paid

Validity of registration

From To

Note –

The registration shall be valid subject to –

- (a) the provisions of the Waste Management and Resource Recovery (Registration of Scavenging Contractors) Regulations 2025; and
- (b) the conditions attached to the licence.

Conditions attached to licence

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Date

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Signature of supervising officer
