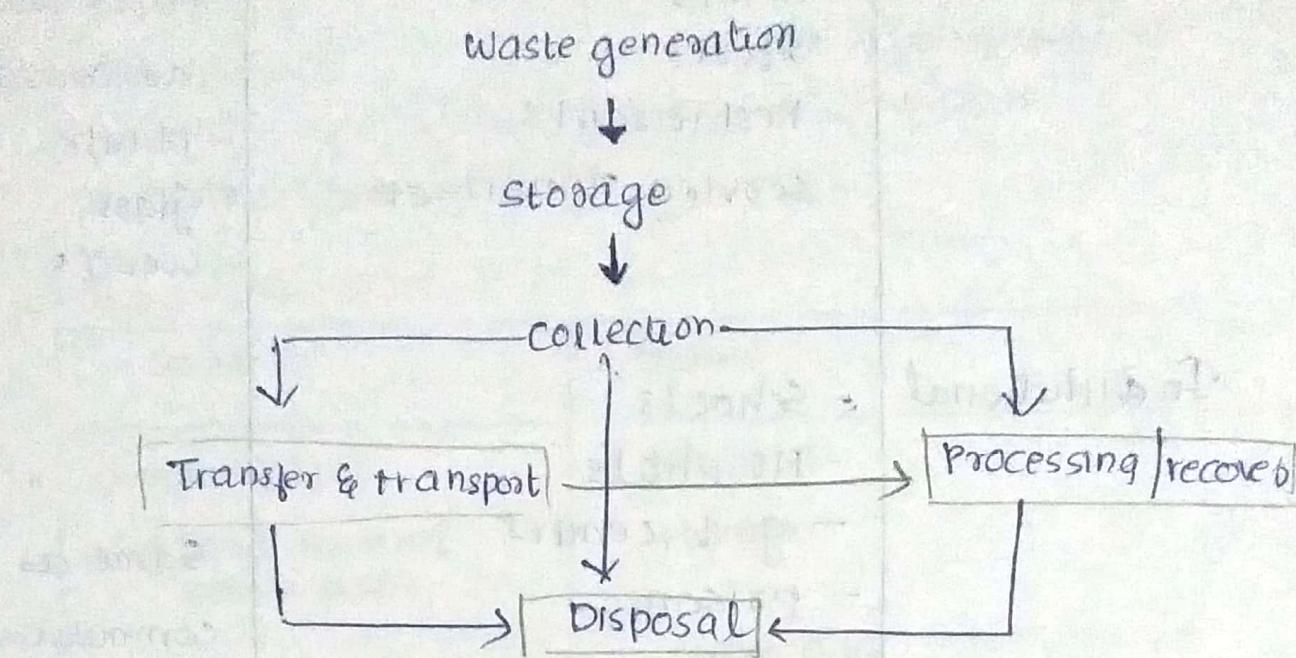


## Module-1

### Functional Elements of solid waste Management System



Solid waste management may be defined as the discipline associated with the control of generation, storage, collection, transfer & transport, processing & disposal of solid waste involving the best principle of public health, economic, engineering, conservation, Aesthetics and other environmental considerations.

### Sources and characteristics of waste

Sources	Typical facilities/Activities location where waste is generated	Characteristics
Residential	single family or multi - family buildings, apartment	Food waste plastic Glass Ceramic Yard waste

### Commercial

- Office Buildings
- Hotels
- Stores
- Restaurants
- Service stations etc.

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- Food waste
- paper waste
- cardboard
- plastic
- glass
- woods

### Institutional

- Schools
- Hospitals
- govt centres
- prison

Same as commercial

### Industrial

- Fabrication
- Construction
- Demolishing
- light & heavy manufact using processes
- Refineries
- chemical plant, power plant

Hazardous waste

The term MSW is normally assumed to include all of the wastes generated in a community with the exception of wastes generated by municipal services, treatment plants, & industrial & agricultural pursuits.

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## Categories of waste

1. Industrial
2. Medical
3. Universal
4. Construction & demolition
5. Radioactive waste

6. Mining waste
7. e-waste
8. Agricultural
9. Municipal

### 1. Industrial waste

Source	waste
→ cement plant	kiln dust
→ coal based thermal power plant	Fly Ash
→ smelting of ca	copper slag
→ conversion of Pig iron to steel Manufacture of Fe	steel & blast furnace slag

### 2. Hazardous waste

wastes that poses substantial danger immediately or over a period of time to human, plants or animal life are classified as hazardous waste

This is due to physical, chemical, biological or radioactive characteristics like combustibility, corrosivity, reactivity and toxicity

### 3. Medical wastes

Medical wastes are generated by health care facilities like hospitals, laboratory, medical research facilities, dental practices and veterinary clinics

- sharps (syringes, needles, lancets)
- Infectious (tissue, cultures)
- Radioactive
- Geodetic waste
- General non regulated medical wastes

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## 4 Universal waste

Universal wastes include television, computer and other electronic devices as well as batteries fluorescent lamps, Mercury thermostat and other mercury containing equipments.

**Electronic devices:** It includes any electronic device that is hazardous waste with or without CRT (cathode ray tube) including Television, computer, Monitor, cell phones, CPUs, portable DVD players etc.

**Batteries:** Most household type batteries including rechargeable Ni Cd batteries, silver button batteries, Mercury batteries etc. exhibit a characteristics of hazardous waste.

**Electric lamps:** Fluorescent tubes and bulbs, high intensity discharge lamp, sodium vapour lamp electric lamps that contain added Mercury as well as any other lamps that exhibit the characteristics of hazardous waste.

**Mercury Containing equipment:** Thermometers, pressure and vacuum gauges, dental amalgam,

**CRT (cathode Ray Tubes):** TV, computer monitor

## 5 Radioactive waste

It is usually the byproduct of nuclear power generation and other applications of nuclear fission or nuclear technology such as research and medicine.

**Types of Radio active wastes**

- Very low level waste
- Intermediate level waste
- High level waste

### \* Very low level

consist of demolished material such as concrete, plaster, blocks, metals, valves, pipes etc produced during dismantling

operations on nuclear, industrial sites and naturally occurring radioactive material

#### \* Low level waste

produced from electricity generation, diagnosis and treatment -  
etc of diseases, medical research, testing of new pharmaceuticals etc

#### \* Intermediate / Medium level waste

- contains higher amount of radioactivity
- Hence requires shielding
- present in chemical sludges, metal fuel cladding etc.

#### \* High level waste

- It arises from burning of uranium fuel in nuclear reactors
- produced during reprocessing of used fuels

#### ② E-Waste

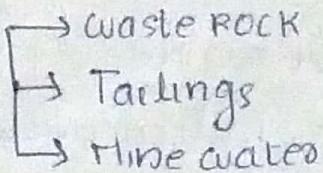
E-waste is a term used for electronic products that have become unwanted, not working or obsolete and have essentially reached end of their useful life.

- It is created from computers, TV, cellphone, printers

Components	constituents
→ printed circuit board	Pb Cd
→ CRTs	PbO, Cd
→ switches & flat screen monitors	Hg
→ computer batteries	Cd
→ capacitors and transformers	PCB (Poly chlorinated biphenyls)
→ cable insulation	PVC

## 7 Mining waste

waste that occur in several stages of mining throughout the life of mine from the 1st exploration drilling to the last processed material before the mine closes.



Mine waste include soil, or overburden rock generated during the physical removal of the desired resource (coals, precious metals, minerals etc) from sub surface.

As the ore get processed, the valuable minerals get separate. A fine grained mineral sand remains as waste is termed as 'tailings'.

In addition heap wastes are also produced during processing of minerals such as smelting operations. Heap wastes are produced when precious metals such as gold, silver, cu etc are recovered from piles of low grade waste rock or tailing by spraying with acid or cyanide solution.

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## construction and demolition waste (C&D)

waste building material,

Dredging materials that are produced in the process of construction, renovation, remodelling, repair or demolition of residential buildings, commercial buildings under the structure and pavements are called C&D waste.

It includes

- \* concrete
- \* Bricks
- \* Timber
- \* Sanitary wares
- \* glasses
- \* steel
- \* Plastic tiles etc

## 9 Agricultural waste

Refers to waste produced from agricultural operations including waste from

- \* farms
- \* poultry houses
- \* slotted houses (manure)

The largest proportion of agricultural wastes occurs are animal manure and crop residue. However other wastes such as pesticide containers and packaging also contribute to this category.

problems related to waste management

- \* odour
- \* pathogen content
- \* salt concentration
- \* Ammonia production