

## Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Policy

### 1. Policy on management & disposal of end-of-life CFL/ FTL

Bajaj Electricals Limited (“Company”) in its endeavor to provide a safer and sustainable environment ensures that it meets all the requirements of E-waste Management Rules, 2016. The Company leverages its reverse logistics through an efficient PAN India network of hubs and regional collection points. An effective reverse logistics mechanism ensures that unnecessary transportation costs are avoided while at the same time carbon emissions are reduced and air quality is improved.

As part of its 360-degree approach towards Environment, Health and Safety (EHS), the Company is committed to improving the recyclability of its products and meets strict RoHS compliance requirements as per directives of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF).

The Company offers the following ways to recycle/dispose end-of-life CFL/ FTL through very convenient channels.

- a. Drop-off at the convenient collection points: Consumers can drop-off their end-of-life CFLs, FTLs and other mercury containing lamps at conveniently located collection points in their neighborhood. Search for your nearest collection point [here](#).
- b. For further information, consumers can call 18002674545 between 10 AM to 6 PM Monday to Friday.

### 2. Hazards of Improper Handling & Disposal of E-Waste

- a. Improper handling and disposal of e-waste releases organic pollutants including heavy metals like lead, cadmium, beryllium and even mercury into the environment which can affect human lungs as they contaminate the air.
- b. Dumping and improper disposal in landfills results in soil pollution which directly enters the food chain and poses a serious threat to the human health.
- c. Illegal burning of e-waste releases poisonous gases including carbon dioxide and Sulphur dioxide leading to air pollution and directly depleting the ozone layer of our atmosphere.
- d. Recovering precious metals through illegal methods such as an acid bath releases e-waste contaminants into the water stream. Water can carry these contaminants for thousands of miles thus harming the ecosystem along its way.

### 3. Adherence to RoHS Standards

The Company is fully compliant on RoHS provisions covered under E-Waste Management Rules, 2016, of the Government of India. All CFL/FTL of the Company comply with the requirements of RoHS and prohibit use of lead, mercury, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls or polybrominated diphenyl ethers in concentrations exceeding 0.1 % by weight and 0.01 % by weight for Cadmium, except for the exemptions set in Schedule II of the said rules.

### 4. Handling & Disposal of used/ dead lamps (Do's & Don'ts)

#### DOs:

- Always preserve the carton of a new CFL/ FTL so that it can be used to safely pack the end-of-life CFL/FTL which has run its course.
- Always drop/ deposit the end-of-life lamp at an authorized collection point in near vicinity. Check the nearest collection point/ drop-off location of the Company [here](#).
- Make sure to keep mercury containing lamps, new or used, out of reach of small children.
- Breaking of CFL/FTL Products is unlikely to have any impact on your health. However, if the CFL/FTL Product breaks-
  - ✓ ventilate the room for about 30 minutes;
  - ✓ remove the parts, preferably by wearing hand gloves and without vacuum cleaner;
  - ✓ put the broken lamp parts in a closed plastic bag and take it to the nearest collection centres/ collection points/ authorised distributors/ authorised retailers for safe disposal.”

#### DON'Ts

- Do not open/ repair the end-of-life CFL/FTL Product.
- Do not sell the end-of-life CFL/ FTL Product to any unauthorized agency/ scrap dealers.
- Do not mix/ dispose the end-of-life CFL/FTL Product with other household waste.
- Do not dispose the end-of-life CFL/FTL Product in municipal waste bins.
- Do not keep the end-of-life CFL/FTL Product exposed in open.
- Do not keep CFL/FTL under pressure of any heavy object, to prevent accidental damage.

### 5. Frequently Asked Questions

- a. Why is recycling/ safe disposal of mercury containing lamps important?  
CFLs and other mercury containing lamps contain traces of mercury. Therefore, when these are disposed-off through regular household trash, they run the risk of improper handling and breakage, thus posing a threat to the environment. Other materials contained in the bulb such as glass, metals and plastic also adversely affect the environment when disposed-off in landfills.

b. How can I return my end-of-life CFL/ FTL to the Company?

There are various options available to you to return your end-of-life CFL/ FTL at convenient drop-off collection points. Check [here](#) for the list of authorized collection points near you. You can return any brand's end-of-life lamps at these locations.

c. What does the Company do with the end-of-life CFL/ FTL?

The Company follows a stringent mechanism to safely dispose-off the end-of-life CFL/ FTL. End-of-life CFL/ FTL are collected from each collection point periodically and taken to a Government Authorized Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility where the mercuric content/ phosphor trace is neutralized through a chemical process and other components are disposed-off in a designated landfill for hazardous waste.