Chemicals and waste

Bangladesh — Hazardous electronic waste management rules

Canada, the United States, the Russian Federation and the European Union were concerned about the lack of clarity of Bangladesh's proposed regulation on the management of electronic waste. In their view, the classification of certain substances, such as nickel, as hazardous, did not seem well supported, and the policy could block trade in valuable products, including critical medical devices and equipment.

Bangladesh said that members' concerns were being reviewed by the competent authorities and that replies would be provided in due course. In the meantime, the comment period for the notification had been extended