

Media Release

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India joins Global Community of Extended Producer Responsibility Schemes for Tyres.

In an announcement dated 31 December 2021, the Indian Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change has published a draft of legislation due to gradually come into effect in 2022 and aiming at recovering 100% of end-of-life tyres by 2025.

At Tyre Stewardship Australia we welcome this ambitious target and wish the Indian government, and all involved in the Scheme, success in pursuing this worthy outcome.

Lina Goodman, CEO of Tyre Stewardship Australia comments on this recent and important development:

“This step shows encouraging progress in recognizing that we are dealing with a global challenge. All States and national entities are responsible for playing their part in reaching acceptable solutions by encouraging and supporting their respective stewardship schemes and organisations.

“This development will most likely make it easier for global players to act responsibly and actively avoid many of the environmental and social risks associated with the global collection and trading of end-of-life tyres. For years at TSA we have been aware of the fundamental need to enforce accreditation of all involved in the recovery process: our investment in the verification of all domestic and international destinations for Australian end-of-life tyres have paid off and are fully consistent with the vision of the Indian legislators”.

For further details, we have attached the original document received from the Indian authorities.

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ABOUT TYRE STEWARDSHIP AUSTRALIA

Tyre Stewardship Australia (TSA) was established in 2014 to implement the national Tyre Product Stewardship Scheme (TPSS) which aims to promote the development of viable markets for end-of-life (EOL) tyres.

Its vision is of a circular economy for EOL tyres which contributes to a sustainable society.



It works to drive sustainable outcomes for EOL tyres in Australia, by:

- accrediting participants, including tyre retailers, manufacturers, recyclers and collectors, who are committed to supporting the objectives of the Scheme
- investing in market development initiatives including research and development, and commercialisation, of new productive uses for EOL tyres
- driving the transformation of a waste product into a useful commodity, creating new industries and employment opportunities while also reducing the environmental harm caused by the illegal dumping of old tyres

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