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Extended Producer Responsibility(EPR)

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History of EPR in Jordan

- The Extended Producer Responsibility project has been researched and started since the end of 2017, and it is planned to be completed by the year 2025, this project is financed by the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection (BMUV) , and it is being implemented in cooperation with the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ) , and other German institutions (Rostock University , and Cyclos GmbH Company).
- Memorandums of understanding were signed with the German International Cooperation (GIZ) in 2019 for the first phase, and in 2023 for the second phase, as the Jordanian government seeks, with all its efforts, to implement this program, believing in the necessity of adopting global environmental principles that have proven over time to be a lifeline to ensure the preservation of the elements and sustainability of natural resources.

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- It is worth noting that the Ministry of Environment held many meetings and discussion workshops with all relevant authorities, including specialists and interested parties, including representatives of ministries, municipalities, the Jordan Chamber of Industry, the Jordan Chamber of Commerce, and private companies, to open the door to discussion and cooperation regarding the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program.
- Extended producer responsibility in the packaging sector is considered one of the main global principles that was included in the Waste Management Framework Law No. (16) of 2020 and was defined as follows: “Holding Generators and importers of materials and goods with the financial responsibility for the environmental impacts of their products or the residuals of their products from Treatment or Final Disposal and the primary production activities in selecting materials and in product design, when negative impacts arise ”.

History of EPR in Jordan

- Based on that, Instructions for the Application of the National Mechanism for Extended Producer Responsibility Principle for 2022 was issued to address the negative effects resulting from the Packaging waste. Which served to define distinct characteristics for the implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility system in Jordan in cooperation with the industrial and commercial sectors and all official executive entities.

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Issued under Paragraph (c) of Article (7) of the Framework Law for Waste Management No. 16 of 2020

Article (3): Field of application

(3/b) These instructions are applied by producers and importers of materials and finished goods that result in waste packaging materials, including producers and providers of products packed in service packaging materials that are sold and presented to the consumer directly, whether in restaurants or shops that provides and sells foodstuffs.

(3/c) the requirements contained in these instructions shall be observed at any stage of the life cycle of the product or material

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- The aim of these instructions is to ensure that waste resulting from imported products, materials and goods is collected, treated and managed in environmentally sound ways at the post-consumer stage to promote the application of the circular economy.
- These instructions will be applied to producers and importers of materials and goods sold in local markets that result in packaging waste, gradually, based on the volume of packaging materials offered in the local market and their annual sales, provided that the first year of implementation of the instructions will be voluntary.

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- In accordance with these instructions, an independent unit was established in the Ministry of Environment, supervised by a steering committee headed by the Ministry of Environment, concerned with administrative and financial affairs related to the implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility system for managing packaging material waste resulting from produced and imported materials and goods. This unit will have the same roles as **(PRO – Producers Responsibility Organization)**.

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Article (4): the form of the unit and the steering committee

The members of the Steering Committee represent the following entities:

1. Secretary General of the Ministry of Environment
2. Secretary General of the Ministry of Local Administration
3. Greater Amman Municipality.
4. Ministry of Industry and Trade.
5. Ministry of Investment and Trade.
6. Jordan Chamber of Industry.
7. Jordan Chamber of Commerce.
8. The National Center for Packaging.

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- The implementation of the instructions shall be obligatory starting from the first of January of 2025 on importers and producers whose domestic sales exceed 50 million Jordanian dinars annually for all types of materials and goods or whose annual output increases from the packaging materials for their products Input to the market for 1000 tons annually.
- The application of the instructions will be expanded obligatorily, starting from January 1 of 2026, to include importers and producers whose domestic sales exceed 20 million Jordanian dinars annually for all types of goods and finished commodity, or whose annual output of packaging materials for their products entering the market exceeds 500 tons annually.

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- As of January 1, 2027, the instructions are obligatory applied to importers producers whose domestic sales exceed 5 million Jordanian dinars annually for all types of goods and finished commodity, or whose annual output of packaging materials for their products entering the market exceeds 200 tons annually.

Actions taken regarding the project

- A specialized section for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) was established within the executive structure of the Waste management and Hazardous Substances Directorate in the Ministry of Environment at the beginning of 2023, and three employees hired and being trained to initiate project activities through training programs, seminars, and regular meetings, in collaboration with the German for International Cooperation (GIZ).



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Actions taken regarding the project

- Training workshops will be conducted for the relevant departments at the ministry's center and the environmental protection directorates in the provinces to introduce the principle of extended producer responsibility, the related guidelines, and the project's activities.
- A registration tool will be installed to the government server to register all companies producing packaging materials. Additional training will be provided to the department employees and environmental protection directorates in the provinces, as well as other relevant entities.

Actions taken regarding the project

- Environmental protection directorates in the provinces will be involved in implementing all activities of the extended producer responsibility project including activation and establishment of separation centers for the collection of packaging materials within their areas.

Thank you for your attention

