

# **Sugar producer BCML hails UP govt's bioplastic policy**

**Luknow:** Balrampur Chini Mills Limited (BCML), a leading integrated sugar producer, has welcomed UP govt's approval of the country's first comprehensive bioplastic policy. This initiative will help tackle plastic pollution and promote eco-friendly alternatives towards the target of Net Zero by 2070, the company said.

Vivek Saraogi, chairman and MD of BCML, said bioplastic policy is a visionary step in the right direction. "The widespread use of conventional plastics has exacerbated our carbon footprint, making a shift towards bioplastics essential. With India being the second largest producer of sugarcane, a major biomass source for bioplastics, this policy not only helps reduce plastic waste but also strengthens India's path to a circular economy," he said.

Avantika Saraogi, executive director, BCML said, "UP govt's policy will catapult India's nascent bioplastics industry forward, inspiring businesses to join the sustainable value chain. The benefits are multifaceted: reduced plastic pollution, job creation in Uttar Pradesh, and a significant decrease in carbon footprint through lower GHG emissions." TNN