

Minutes of meeting on “Comprehensive Action Plan for Air Pollution Control in Delhi & NCR”

In follow up to the Directions under Section 3 and Section 5 of The Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding Comprehensive Action Plan (CAP) for Air Pollution Control in Delhi & NCR dated January 25, 2018 issued to concerned ministries, departments, authorities, etc., meetings to review status of compliance to the Directions were convened on January 10, 2020. The meeting was chaired by Sh. N.K. Gupta, Addl. Director and Head DAQ Division. List of participants is at Annexure-I.

Sh. N.K. Gupta welcomed the participants and briefed about the current air quality status of Delhi-NCR and enlisted major causes of air pollution. He also informed that Directions were issued on January 25, 2018 and March 06, 2018 to 52 agencies including concerned ministries, departments, authorities etc. He also apprised that concerned agencies must ensure implementation of the Comprehensive Action Plan for Air Pollution Control in Delhi-NCR, which was finalised as per Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated December 13, 2017.

As on date, out of 52 agencies, 41 agencies have responded in reply to CPCBs' directions. It is also observed that the data provided by agencies is not updated. In view of this, all the action points were discussed separately with the concerned agencies with respect to compliance status and timelines.

All the present agencies provided valuable views and inputs. DPCC, HSPCB and RSPCB informed that they have installed manual and real time monitoring stations as per the Comprehensive Action Plan out of which 24 are included in the AQI network. Representative, MoRTH informed that w.r.t. emission and fuel quality, a notification has been passed stating only BSVI compliant vehicles will be allowed. Representative, MoRTH also informed that the emission threshold has been notified for all the categories of fuels by the ministry. Representative, MoRTH also informed that for on road vehicles, PUC has been linked to the VAHAN App, and in agreement of Hon'ble Supreme Court, a pilot project is being run which makes a car eligible for renewal of insurance only if it has a valid PUC (as per orders of IRDAI). Representative, MoPNG informed that PESO is solely responsible for hydro-testing of CNG cylinders. Representative, Ministry of Transport, and DTC informed that all 555 new buses are equipped with GPS, CCTV, and Panic Button. The CCTV, Panic Button, and AVLS system is being installed in all existing buses of DTC & Cluster scheme. Bus fares of DTC & Cluster have been kept unchanged since November, 2009. Free travel for women in DTC & Cluster buses has been introduced w.e.f. 29.10.2019. Representative, DMRC stated that out of 6 new corridors to be built as a part of Phase IV which will cumulatively cover 104 Km, 3 corridors have been

sanctioned out of six. Representative, MoUD informed that Rapid Rail from Delhi to Meerut is under construction as a part of the inter-state freight transport plan.

After deliberation, it was noted that following actions are required:

1. It is observed that most agencies in Delhi have sent the compliance status however; agencies in NCR region have not communicated the compliance status to CPCB. Therefore, All the agencies (except those who have already sent) to send the updated point-wise compliance status at the earliest.
2. Timelines for each point, relevant to the agencies, to be provided along with the status report.
3. HSPCB, UPPCB, RSPCB have not provided updated status on CAP. These agencies shall communicate the compliance status with Central Pollution Control Board within next 15 days.
4. Fortnightly compliance status report to be submitted by all agencies.

The meeting ended with thanks to and from the Chair.

List of Participants (11:00 Hrs.):

1. Sh. N.K. Gupta, Scientist 'E', CPCB
2. Sh. Sharandeep Singh, Scientist 'D', CPCB
3. Sh. Ram Nath Ram, SE, CPWD
4. Sh. K.C. Sharma, SE, MoRTH, New Delhi
5. Dr. M. Muthu Raman, DGM, NTPC Ltd.
6. Dr. Sudhir Dahiya, DGM, NTPC Ltd., Noida
7. Sh. V. Ravi Babu, GM, NTPC Ltd., Noida
8. Dr. Parvin Gupta, GM, PPCL, New Delhi
9. Sh. Sanjiv Kumar, EE, DTTDC
10. Sh. A.K. Kakkar, Dy. CGM (M), DTC
11. Sh. Jaideep, OSD/UT, MoHUA
12. Sh. K.J. Singh, DGM-MKTG, GAIL Gas Ltd.
13. Sh. Ranveer Singh, GM-MKTG, GAIL Gas Ltd.
14. Sh. Sharvan Kumar, Suptd. Er., South PWD, GNCTD
15. Sh. Rohit Mathur, Director, MoP&NG
16. Dr. M.P. George, Scientist, DPCC
17. Dr. Chetna Anand, Scientist, Dept. of Env., GNCTD
18. Sh. Arun Kumar, SE (EMS), EDMC
19. Sh. Deepak Kumar, EE (EMS), SDMC
20. Sh. Deepak Sharma, Insp. TI/TE, Delhi Traffic Police
21. Sh. Ravinder, SE (D), DDA, Vikas Minar
22. Sh. Randeep Nain, DGM (Marketing), GAIL Gas Ltd.
23. Sh. Mudit Garg, DGM, NHAI
24. Sh. Abhinav Sahay, Ch. Manager, IGL
25. Sh. Tanuj Garg, Manager, IGL
26. Sh. Ramesh Dev, Deputy Director (T-URP), NCRPB
27. Sh. Anil Kr. Gupta, SE (DEMS), North DMC
28. Sh. T.S. Arya, AE (SLF), EDMC
29. Sh. Jitendra Jha, Sr. Mgr.-RT, DIMTS
30. Sh. C.L. Meena, NDMC
31. Sh. Girija Shankar, G.M. (MKTG), GAIL
32. Sh. V.K. Saraswat, PCO, Tpt Dept.
33. Sh. Anand Kumar, Dy. Director (Plg.), UTTIPEC
34. Sh. Vikash Singhal, DGM/Env., DMRC
35. Sh. Gambhir Singh, Dy. Dir. (Plg.), UTTIPEC
36. Sh. Mukesh Gupts, CE, DSIIDC
37. Sh. Sharat Kumar, SE, DSIIDC

List of Participants (15:00 Hrs.):-

1. Sh. N.K. Gupta, Scientist 'E', CPCB
2. Sh. Sharandeep Singh, Scientist 'D', CPCB
3. Sh. Banajit Saikia, DGM (Co-ordination), NRL, New Delhi
4. Sh. Manish Grover, CGM/LPG (Co-ordination), IOCL, New Delhi
5. Sh. Manmohan Kukreja, GM(I/C), LPG, DSO
6. Sh. P.K. Sharma, GM, IB, DSO
7. Sh. S.Chauhan, CM(RS), Retail, IOCL, DSO
8. Sh. Rohit Arya, HPCL-Mittal Energy Ltd., Noida
9. Sh. Abdussalam Khan, Ch. Manager, Retail Engg, BPCL, Noida
10. Sh. R.K. Tripathi, ARM, UPSRTC, Ghaziabad
11. Sh. O.P. Gupta, R.O. RPCB, Alwar
12. Sh. Manoj Kumar, Inspector, Tpt. Deptt., Haryana
13. Sh. R.K. Rana, A.R.T.O, Transport Deptt.
14. Sh. Umesh P. Singh, Ch. Regional Mgr-DS, HPCL, Delhi
15. Sh. Murali Mohan, DGM-RE, HPCL,
16. Smt. Rani Jain, RTO, Alwar
17. Sh. Dinesh Dagar, Sr. Manager SLC, Delhi State
18. Dr. Jai Bhagwan, Senior Scientist, HSPCB, Panchkula