

<b>BOARD MEETING NO.</b>	:	One Hundred Seventy (170 <sup>th</sup> )
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<b>VENUE</b>	:	Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi
<b>ITEM NO.</b>	:	3.1
<b>ITEM</b>	:	<b>Priority and focussed areas of working of Central Pollution Control Board for 2015 – 16</b>

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Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has been executing activities as per Water, Air and Environment (Protection) Act. Having considered that, CPCB should execute nationwide programmes in more rigorous way. Key areas of national priority have been identified and during 2015-16 and 2016-17, target oriented activities will be performed. The key areas and activities are summarised as under :

**1. INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION CONTROL :**

- (i) Installation of online monitoring devices and data transmission.
- (ii) Actions on MEF / VIP / NGT cases.
- (iii) Standards.
- (iv) Critically polluted clusters – CEPI.
- (v) Action Plan for Red, Orange and Green Category.

**2. ACTION PLAN FOR GANGA :**

- (i) Vigilance and Actions – Industrial Pollution Control (Five Sectors – Priority).
- (ii) Monitoring of sewage drains joining River Ganga and performance studies of Sewage Treatment Plants.
- (iii) Monitoring of water quality of Ganga Manual and Real Time – Monthly reporting of data.
- (iv) Segmental Plan to formulate and implement with MoWR, State Departments to improve up-keep of River fronts / ghats to slow visual impacts relating to clean floatable, treatment of drains, cleaning of Ghats for removing garbage / filth (install devices).

### **3. SEWAGE MANAGEMENT :**

- (i) Directions under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act to cities and towns of :
  - (a) Located on the bank of all rivers including Ganga / Yamuna (This will also include towns identified 302 polluted river stretches).
  - (b) Cover H46 Million Plus Cities and 20 State Capitals and Religious / Tourist places.
- (ii) Organise to have information / data on sewage generation & treatment of all cities / towns.
- (iii) Performance studies of Sewage Treatment Plants.
- (iv) Quality and characteristics of sewage flowing in drains in cities / towns.
- (v) Follow-up on directions and reporting monthly progress by Zonal Offices and Head Office.

### **4. MANAGEMENT OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE (MSW)**

- (i) Directions under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act to :
  - (a) 46 million plus cities and 20 State Capitals.
  - (b) Cities / towns located on bank of rivers (Ganga).
  - (c) Religious / Tourist places.
- (ii) Data on waste generation, composition, processing and disposal.

### **5. PLASTICS WASTE MANAGEMENT :**

- (i) Directions under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act to :
  - (a) Municipal Commissioners of 46 million plus and 20 State Capitals.
  - (b) Religious and Tourist places, to prohibit stocking and selling of plastic carry bags and other usable items.
  - (c) SPCBs to close-down industries operating illegally and manufacturing plastic carry bags / films.
- (ii) Data Base Management.

**6. AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT :**

- (i) Directions under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act to the Commissioners and Departments to improve air quality of cities and town where  $PM_{10}$  /  $PM_{2.5}$  and other pollutant exceeding the ambient air quality standards.
- (ii) Installation of Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations (CAAQMS) in 46 million plus and 20 State Capitals.
- (iii) Operating manual stations in Class I / Class II cities including CEPI Areas and reporting monthly data.
- (iv) Source apportionment studies.
- (v) Air pollution control plan - Urb-air decision support system / vehicular pollution control / burning of garbage / construction activity and other sources at local level.

**7. WATER QUALITY MONITORING :**

- (i) Water Quality Monitoring at 2500 locations.
- (ii) Monthly reporting of data.

**8. LABORATORY OPERATION :**

- (i) Laboratories at Head Quarter and Zonal Offices will be engaged in analysing.
- (ii) Industrial samples.
- (iii) Ambient.

The Board may provide views on identified focussed areas.

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