



DELHI POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE

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Sub: Directions under Section 31 (A) of Air (Pollution and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 read with Rule 20A (6) of the Air (Pollution and Control of Pollution) (Union Territories) Rules, 1983.

Whereas, Central Pollution Control Board is the State Board for all the Union Territories to exercise powers and performs functions under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

And whereas, Central Pollution Control Board has delegated all its powers and functions under Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 in respect of NCT of Delhi to Delhi Pollution Control Committee vide Notification No. S.O. 198 (E) dated 15.03.1991.

And whereas, whole of Union Territory of Delhi has been declared as air pollution control area vide Notification No. GSR 106(E) dated 20.02.1987 under sub-section (1) of section 19 of the said Air Act, 1981.

And whereas, as per section 17 (1) (a) of Air Act, 1981, Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) is to plan a comprehensive program for the prevention, control and abatement of air pollution and to secure execution thereof.

And whereas, Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in various orders have directed Government of NCT of Delhi to initiate steps to curb the dust pollution.

And whereas, in pursuant to the order dated 02.12.2016 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of M.C. Mehta Vs Union of India & others regarding air quality, Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) has been notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India on 12.01.2017 for implementation through Environment Pollution(Prevention and Control) Authority (EPCA).

And whereas, a Commission on Air Quality Management in the National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas has been constituted through an Ordinance and promulgated by the Hon'ble President of India on 28th October 2020.

And whereas, the Commission in its meeting held on 10th November 2020 decided that in view of deteriorating air quality in NCR region, there is a need to invoke the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) already notified by Central Government and entrusted the task of operationalizing and monitoring the GRAP measures to Central Pollution Control Board, till a mechanism is set up by the Commission.

And whereas, the CPCB vide order No. A-19014/45/Comm. AQM-NCRAA/2020-21 dated 23.12.2020 after continuous review of air quality and metrological scenario in Delhi-NCR and considering the likely increase in activities during Christmas and New Year Celebrations, has ordered that the following actions are to be ensured with immediate effect by implementing agencies:

- a) Hot Mix plants and stone crushers shall remain closed all the time till January
 02, 2021.
- b) Frequency of mechanized cleaning of roads and water sprinkling to be increased particularly on the road stretches with high dust generation potential.
- c) It shall be ensured that guidelines/standard operating procedures for dust mitigation at construction sites are strictly adhered to. In case of violations, strict action should be taken against the violators like imposition of penalty/
- d) Agencies must ensure compliance of orders of Hon'ble Courts and Hon'ble National Green Tribunal regarding banning of sale and use of firecrackers.

All the land owning agencies, Delhi Police and Local Bodies are hereby directed to take necessary steps to ensure immediate follow up actions as directed by the Board.

In case of non-compliance, action as per the provisions contained in Section 37 of the Air Act, 1981 shall be initiated against the defaulters.

(Sanjeev Khirwar) Chairman

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