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As you are aware that the air quality becomes "Very Poor/Severe" during winter season and 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.

In order to control the air pollution, the Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change, has notified Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) on 12.01.2017 for implementation through Environment Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority (EPCA) which will be complied with by various agencies.

The Chairman, EPCA, now has directed on 27th October, 2018 (copy enclosed) that with effect from 1st November, 2018, the air pollution condition is projected to have adverse weather conditions and hence the region will exacerbate for the potential for pollution.

Accordingly, as per the directions of EPCA, all agencies are to enforce the following measures:

- All construction activities involving excavation, civil construction (excluding internal finishing/work where no construction material is used) to remain closed in Delhi and other NCR districts from November 1-10, 2018.
- 2. All stone crushers, hot mix plants generating dust pollution to remain closed in Delhi and other NCR districts from November 1-10, 2018.
- All industries using coal and biomass as fuel (excluding thermal and Waste to Energy Plants) to remain closed in Delhi and other NCR districts from November 4-10, 2018. Industries that use natural gas as fuel can continue to operate.
- 4. Direct transport department/traffic police to intensify checking of polluting vehicles and control traffic congestion in Delhi and other NCR districts during November 1-10, 2018. There should be no tolerance for visibly pollution vehicles. This will require stringent monitoring and on-spot fines for visibly polluting vehicles.
- 5. Intensify patrolling, including night patrolling in industrial areas and other 'hot spots' in the city so that there is complete control on waste burning as well as industrial emissions. EPCA has already brought to your attention that it has found many cases of waste burning and industrial emissions, which is a gross violation of GRAP conditions.
- 6. Intensity efforts for interrupted power supply in NCR towns to avoid requirement of operating DG sets and inconvenience to public.
- 7. Publish in newspapers and disseminate widely the following information for the general public:
 - i) The need for public to minimize exposure and also advice people to minimize their travel using private vehicles as much as possible.
 - ii) Enumerate and list all actions that have to be taken under GRAP, so that people are informed and can act as stakeholders in the efforts to control pollution.
 - Publish list of penalties that have been imposed and actions taken against people/industries found polluting. This information will provide a deterrence and help improve enforcement.

Chairman, EPCA has emphasized the need for strict enforcement of the above actions which require ground level monitoring on continuous basis by respective and designated officials and strict action which will ensure compliance.

Hence, all the Agencies are requested to enforce and comply with the above instructions in letter and spirit and Action taken Report may be submitted every fortnight to DPCC at email: msdpcc@nic.in.

(S.M. Ali)

Member Secretary, DPCC

Enclose: As above

To,

- 1. Vice Chairman, DDA.
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary, Home, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- 3. Additional Chief Secretary, PWD, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 4. Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Council.
- 5. Commissioner of Police, Delhi.
- 6. Pr. Secretary, Urban Development, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 7. Commissioner, North Delhi Municipal Corporation.
- 8. Commissioner, South Delhi Municipal Corporation.
- 9. Commissioner, East Delhi Municipal Corporation.
- 10. Commissioner, Transport, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 11. Chief Executive Officer, Delhi Jal Board, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 12. Secretary (Revenue)-Cum-Divisional Commissioner, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 13. Secretary, Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 14. Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of NCT of Delhi with a request to initiate action in respect of point no 7(i) above.
- 15. Secretary, Power, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 16. Commissioner, Industries, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 17. Chairman, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI).
- 18. Director General, Indian Meteorological Department. (IMD).
- 19. Managing Director, NBCC.
- 20. Managing Director, DMRC.
- 21. Managing Director, DTC.
- 22. Director General, CPWD.
- 23. PCCF, Department of Forest & Wildlife, GNCTD.
- 24. Chief Executive Officer, DUSIB.
- 25. CEO, Delhi Cantonment Board.
- 26. Spl. Commissioner, Traffic, Delhi Police.

Copy for kind information to:-

- 1. Chairman, EPCA.
- 2. Secretary to Minister (Environment & Forest), Delhi
- 3. PS to Secretary to LG, Raj Niwas, Delhi.
- 4. PS to Chief Minister, Delhi.
- 5. PS to Secretary, MOEF & CC, Government of India.
- 6. SO to Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 7. PS to Chairman, CPCB.
- 8. PS to Pr. Secretary, Finance, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
- 9. PS to Secretary, Environment & Forests-cum-Chairman, DPCC, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

(S,M. Ali)

Member Secretary, DPCC

ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION (PREVENTION & CONTROL) AUTHORITY for the National Capital Region

Most Urgent

Dr.Bhure Lal Chairman EPCA-R/2018/L-91 October 27, 2018

Dear Sir,

This is further to letter of October 12, 2018 on the implementation of the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP).

EPCA has been advised by Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan, which is chaired by the member secretary of the Central Pollution Control Board that the coming period, beginning November 1, 2018 is projected to have adverse weather conditions, which will exacerbate the potential for pollution. The region is already in the Very Poor category in terms of air quality and, therefore, all efforts have to be made to ensure that the levels do not rise further, even with adverse weather conditions.

Based on this forecast and prediction, the Task Force has advised EPCA that there is need to bring in additional following measures to combat pollution so as to ensure that levels of pollution can be contained.

Accordingly, EPCA is directing the following measures:

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Central Pollution Control Board

Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Near Karkardooma Courts, Shahdara, Delhi 110 032 Tel/Fax: 22301955 (CPCB), Tel: 43102414 Dr. Bhure Lal, Chairman

ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION (PREVENTION & CONTROL) AUTHORITY for the National Capital Region

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7. Publish in newspapers and disseminate widely the following information for the general public:

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and help improve enforcement.

Let me once again emphasize the need for strict enforcement of actions. This requires groundlevel monitoring on a continuous basis by respective and designated officials and strict action to ensure compliance.

You are requested to immediately take steps to ensure compliance of these directions.

Yours faithfully,

(BhureLal) Chairman, EPCA

To Shri. Anshu Prakash Chief Secretary, Govt of NCT Delhi Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate New Delhi –110002

Copies to:

- 1. Shri. Anil Kumar Singh Secretary (Env & Forest) Govt of NCT Delhi
- 2. Shri. Sayed Musawwir Ali Member Secretary Delhi Pollution Control Committee

Central Pollution Control Board