

केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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September 15, 2018

As per list (Construction Agencies)

Sub.: Direction under Section 5 of The Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding taking action plan of construction agencies for upcoming winters - reg.

WHEREAS, Section 16 (2) (b), (f) and (j) of The Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1985 mandates the Central Pollution Control Board to execute nation-wide program for prevention, control and abatement of air pollution and organize a comprehensive program and perform such other functions as may be prescribed;

WHEREAS, rising air pollution in Delhi is a matter of serious concern, especially with regard to high levels of particulate matter exceeding National Ambient Air Quality Standards, 2009;

WHEREAS, historical trends indicate further increase in air pollution in Delhi during winter season between 15th October to 15th February;

WHEREAS, a Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) was notified by MoEFCC on January 12, 2017 for implementation of identified actions under different Air Quality Index (AQI) categories for prevention of high pollution events and dealing with air pollution emergencies, and concerned agencies are required to take actions as per the plan;

WHEREAS, winter season being critical with regard to air pollution, CPCB teams will be deployed to visit various areas in Delhi NCR from September 15, 2018 to provide feedback on air polluting mitigation activities & level of implementation of GRAP;

WHEREAS, a meeting was held under Chairmanship of Chairman, CPCB on August 30, 2018, to discuss status of preparedness for controlling air polluting sources during winters in Delhi NCR;

WHEREAS, concerned agencies were requested to prepare targeted action plans by 5th September 2018;

Now therefore, in exercise of powers delegated to The Chairman, CPCB under Section 5 of The Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 and in view of anticipated Poor air quality in Delhi, you are directed to ensure actions with regard to following;

- a) To ensure action plans for upcoming winters with respect to poor air quality and corrective actions to adequately arrest dust arising from construction projects.
- b) To ensure the presence of supervisor of construction at the sites to take immediate actions, if required.
- c) Construction material and waste shall be stored only within earmarked area. No waste should be dumped on road side.

- d) Wind breaker of appropriate height i.e. 1/3rd of the construction height and maximum up to 10 meters shall be provided at sites.
- e) Grinding and cutting material of building materials shall be closed area made by curtains/barriers.
- f) Dust mitigation measure shall be displayed prominently at the construction site for easy public viewing. Details of construction sites in the NCR of Delhi shall be reported to CPCB and concerned State Pollution Control Boards within 15 days of receipt of these directions.
- g) Any violation noticed may be strictly dealt as per law.

The construction agencies shall acknowledge the receipt of this direction immediately and shall communicate the action taken report within 07 days of receipt of same.

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