



केन्द्रीय प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड  
CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय भारत सरकार  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE GOVT. OF INDIA

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2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2018

To

Shri Mangu Singh,  
Managing Director,  
Delhi Metro Rail Corporation,  
Metro Bhawan, Fire Brigade Lane  
Barakhamba Road  
New Delhi - 110001

**Sub: Directions under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding displaying of Air Quality data through display boards in Metro stations and trains.**

WHEREAS, under Section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, one of the powers of Central Government is to take measures to protect and improve environment, planning and execution of a nation-wide programme for prevention, control and abatement of environmental pollution;

WHEREAS, high level of air pollution in Delhi and National Capital Region has been a matter of serious concern and requires urgent measures to address the issue, particularly with episodic rises in pollution levels;

WHEREAS, a Graded Response Action Plan and appropriate measures to address different levels of air pollution as per National Air Quality Index (AQI) adopted by Government of India was submitted by the Central Pollution Control Board on the 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;

WHEREAS, in pursuant to Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated December 2, 2016 in the matter of M.C. Mehta Vs Union of India & others regarding air quality in National Capital of Region of Delhi, a Graded Response Action Plan was prepared for implementation under PM levels for prevention of high pollution events and dealing with air pollution emergencies;

WHEREAS, Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change (MOEF&CC) has issued the notification vide S.O 118(E), dated 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 for implementation of Graded Response Action Plan through Environmental Pollution Control Authority (EPCA);

WHEREAS, the CPCB has upgraded its Central Control Room (CCR) and data from 18 Air Quality Monitoring Stations in Delhi is being collected on Real Time Basis & shared with public at <https://app.cpcbCCR.com/airquality>. The average Delhi AQI levels are calculated and shared through webpage and SMS alerts to all concerned departments;

WHEREAS, High Level Task Force (HLTF) in PMO is reviewing the action taken by various organizations on air quality in Delhi NCR and directed to display air quality with advisory at all public places including Metro stations, ISBT, Traffic junctions etc.

WHEREAS, it is desired that the ambient air quality is made available to the public at Metro Stations and Metro Trains through LED/LCD display boards and scrollable display boards.

WHEREAS, Ministry of Environment, Forests vide notification S.O. 157(E) of 27.02.1996 & S.O. 730(E), dated 10.7.2002 has delegated powers vested under section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to the Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, to issue directions to any industry or local body or any other authority for violations of the standards and rules notified under Environment Protection Act, 1986 and amendment thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of powers vested to Chairman, CPCB under section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 you are requested to display hourly air quality data with advisory generated by CPCB in all Metro stations and trains for public awareness.

The DMRC shall ensure compliance before 15-feb-2018 and submit action taken report.

(S.P.S. Parihar)  
Chairman



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Member Secretary