

CENTRAL POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD (Water Quality Management Division) Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi-110032

MINUTES OF THE 2ND MEETING OF TASK TEAM HELD ON 5/1/2019 IN COMMITTEE ROOM, 5th FLOOR, CPCB FOR SCRUTINY OF ACTION PLANS RECEIVED FOR REJUVENATION OF IDENTIFIED POLLUTED RIVER STRETCHES

A meeting was convened on 5/1/2019 at 10.30 AM in Committee Room, 5th Floor, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, CPCB with the task team members for scrutiny of action plan received from SPCBs/PCCs for rejuvenation of identified polluted river stretches. List of participants is attached at Annexure-I.

Sh. A Sudhakar, AD & DH, WQM-I, CPCB, welcomed all the officials and members of the Task team attending the meeting. To the query of Dr. Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, CPCB regarding the status of action plan received from States having Priority I & Priority II river stretches and their review, Sh. J.C. Babu, Scientist D briefed about the NGT order dated 20.09.2018 and details related to the action plan on polluted river stretches being submitted by the states. He also informed that 29 action plans have been received out of 61 (Priority-I & Priority-II) from SPCBs/PCCs. He further stated that all the states have to submit their action plans by 31st January, 2019 and CPCB shall examine the reports and submit/file consolidate report to Hon'ble NGT by 28th February, 2019.

Dr. A. B. Akolkar, Member, Task team stated that action plans to be prepared by States as per model plan on River Hindon which was shared with the States/UTs. He also opined that comments and observations for the submitted action plans may be prepared and communicated to the respective State Govt/SPCB for carrying out improvements in the action plans and submission of revised reports to CPCB upon approval of RRC by 31/1/2019.

Sh. Sundeep, Director, NMCG suggested that septage management and interceptors for control of pollution from drains to be included in the action plans by the States/UTs.

Discussions were held and decisions were taken listed as under:

- SPCBs/PCCs which have made review of the identified polluted river stretches by CPCB in Sep, 2018 w.r.to locations having high or low BOD may provide justification with supporting monthly data of two years 2016-17 under NWMP for changing the priority.
- 2. Flow details and load estimation of drains, confluence point of tributaries, if any must be incorporated in the action plans proposed by States/UTs
- 3. Pictorial representation of river stretch drains, monitoring locations and drain outfalls/discharge points may be shown on map with Latitude and Longitude
- Septage management plan of the cities/ town of each polluted river stretch may also be mentioned
- 5. Interventions required for controlling pollution load from each drain also be included in the action plan
- 6. It was decided that action plans received in CPCB shall be scrutinized and the observation shall be communicated to the concerned for further improvements and submission of action plans in Compliance to the Hon'ble NGT orders dated 20/9/2018 & 19/12/2018.

Next meeting of task team to review the received action plans shall be held on 23rd Jan, 2019 tentatively.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

List of Participants

- 1. Dr. Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, CPCB and Chairman, Task Team
- 2. Dr. A. B. Akolkar, Former MS, CPCB and Member, Task Team
- 3. Sh. A. Sudhakar, DH, WQM-I, CPCB and Member
- 4. Sh. Sundeep Director, NMCG and Member
- 5. Sh. B. Vinod Babu, DH, IT Division, CPCB and Member
- 6. Sh R. M. Bhardwaj, Consulting Scientist, CPCB
- 7. Smt. Urmila Thakur, Law Officer, CPCB, Special Invitee
- 8. Sh. J. Chandra Babu, Scientist D, WQM-I, CPCB and Member Convener
- 9. Smt Suniti Parashar, Scientist D, WQM-I, CPCB
- 10. Smt Alpana Narula, SSA, WQM-I, CPCB
- 11. Dr Pooja Tripathi, RA-I, WQM-I, CPCB