#### SPEED POST

F.No. AQM/ Direction/2020-21/13371-13401

November 20, 2020

As per list ( )

Sub: Directions under Section 5 of The Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 regarding redressal of citizens' complaints on air polluting activities in Delhi NCR - reg.

WHEREAS, Section 16 (2) (b), (f) and (j) of The Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 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, air pollution in Delhi NCR during critical winter months is a matter of serious concern, especially with regard to high levels of particulate matter exceeding National Ambient Air Quality Standards, 2009;

WHEREAS, in pursuant to Hon'ble Supreme Court orders in the Writ Petition (Civil) No. 13029/1985 in the matter of M.C. Mehta Vs. Union of India, CPCB rigorously monitor the compliance of corrective action for air pollution control and management;

WHEREAS, in pursuant to Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated October 29, 2018 in the matter of W.P (s) (Civil) No. 13029/1985 M. C. Mehta vs. Union of India, CPCB has created account on social media interface (Twitter and Facebook) for citizens to lodge complaints and to further forward these complaints to concerned agencies for redressal;

WHEREAS, CPCB vide letter dated August 28, 2020, requested agencies to ensure immediate effective action and timely resolution of complaints on the SAMEER App and Social Media platforms;

WHEREAS, CPCB vide letter dated October 07<sup>th</sup> 2020, requested states to ensure strict vigilance and step up intensive efforts towards air pollution control action in respective areas;

WHEREAS, CPCB has deployed 50 dedicated teams for field feedback from 15<sup>th</sup> October 2020 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Feedback from these teams is being forwarded through Sameer App to respective agencies for quick redressal of complaints;

WHEREAS, incidents causing air pollution such as open burning of waste, improper handling of construction waste emission from industries, unpaved roads and open spaces, etc. are also being reported by citizens on Sameer App and social media platforms;

WHEREAS, out of 3,094 complaints lodged on Sameer App during the period 07.10.2020 to 18.11.2020, only 34% complaints have been redressed so far:

WHEREAS, out of 784 complaints lodged on Social media during the period of 07.10.2020 to 18.11.2020, only 24% complaints have been redressed so far;

Now therefore, in exercise of powers vested under Section 5 of The Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, it is hereby directed to

- (i) Ensure immediate action for complete redressal of Sameer and social media complaints by November 30, 2020
- (ii) Closely monitor actions taken on air polluting activities reported through Sameer App and social media complaints;
- (iii) Ensure regular surveillance and strict action against illegal industrial activities including tyre pyrolysis; burning of tyre & other wastes; and dumping of wastes etc.

The receipt of this direction shall be acknowledged immediately.

(Shiv Das Meena) Chairman

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