

**Minutes of Nineteenth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan
held on December 05, 2017 at CPCB, Delhi**

Nineteenth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), was convened on December 05, 2017, at Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi. Meeting was chaired by Dr. Prashant Gargava, Head AQM. Dr. V. K. Soni, IMD joined through video conferencing. List of participants is attached at Annexure-I.

Task Force reviewed air quality situation for Delhi. The PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ concentration have noted as $405.8 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and $242.3 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ respectively, as close to 'Severe' category. IMD revealed that the present situation is likely to prevail for next 2 days, though no forecast is given beyond the 'Severe' category. Light rain is expected on today & tomorrow, subsequently mixing height as well as ground wind speed is expected be low and prevailing direction in SE and NW. Only mist with visibility > 1000 m, is expected to exist, as informed by IMD.

In view of the current situation as 'Severe' category, the task force has recommended the following actions:

- Increased frequency of water sprinkling mechanism.
- Actions to be taken to ensure the closure of brick kiln.
- Operational DG set should be closed.
- EPCA should get feedback on ground level actions from concerned agencies and take measures to control the air polluting sources.
- Actions taken for surveillance of air polluting activities particularly in hotspot areas namely Anand Vihar, Delhi Technical University, Shadipur, Mandir Marg, R K Puram and Punjabi Bagh should be taken by EPCA.

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