Minutes of Thirty Third Meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan held on November 06, 2018

Thirty third meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) was convened on November 06, 2018 at Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi, to review ambient air quality status in Delhi and NCR. Meeting was chaired by the Member Secretary, CPCB. The list of participants is annexed (Annexure - I).

Shri Siddhartha Singh, IMD informed that currently air quality is in very poor category. However, during November 08-10, 2018 the situation may get worsen due to low surface winds and North Westerly winds leading to impact of stubble burning.

In view of this, following recommendations are made for the period November 08 - 10, 2018:

- 1. Ban on entry of truck traffic into Delhi (except essential commodities).
- 2. Strict vigil to check waste dumping and burning.
- 3. Traffic police to intensify efforts to deal with traffic congestion.
- 4. Actions already recommended by Task Force in respect of banning of construction activities, coal and biomass based industries, etc, to continue with strict enforcement of agencies.
- 5. People be appealed to avoid use of diesel private cars.

The Task Force will again review the status on November 10, 2018.

Meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

Annexure-I

List of participants

- 1. Dr. Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board
- 2. Dr T.K. Joshi, Health Expert
- 3. Dr. M. P. George, Scientist 'D', Delhi Pollution Control Committee
- 4. Dr. Anil Kumar Singh, RO (Noida), Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
- 5. Smt. Sapna Srivastava, A.S.O. (Ghaziabad), Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
- 6. Shri Jai Bhagwan, Haryana State Pollution Control Board (audio conferencing)
- 7. Shri Siddhartha Singh, India Meteorological Department (video conferencing)
- 8. Smt. Sakshi Batra, Central Pollution Control Board
- 9. Smt. Shalini Manoj, Central Pollution Control Board