Minutes of Thirty Fifth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan held on November 12, 2018 at CPCB, Delhi

Thirty fifth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), was convened on November 12, 2018, on WhatsApp group to review ambient air quality status. The meeting was headed by the Member Secretary, CPCB. The list of participants is annexed.

Task Force reviewed air quality situation for Delhi. As per Dr. V. K. Soni, IMD, air quality shall remain in severe category till November 12, 2018 and might improve to very poor category from November 12, 2018 (night) and may remain in the same category for the next two days.

Dr. T. K. Joshi, Health Expert, advised to skip strenuous activity and people with known illness to take special care.

After detailed deliberations and considering the air quality forecast to be in 'very poor' category, Task Force has recommended the following:

- 1. In view of poor dispersion, low temperatures and high humidity during night hours, construction activities and truck traffic (in Delhi) may be permitted only during daytime between 6:00 Hrs 18:00 Hrs.
- 2. Enforcement agencies to keep strict vigil and ensure firm actions against the violators.

List of participants:

- 1. Dr. Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board.
- 2. Shri V K Shukla, Scientist 'D', Central Pollution Control Board
- 3. Dr. T. K. Joshi, Health Expert
- 4. Dr. M.P. George, Scientist 'D', Delhi Pollution Control Committee
- 5. Dr. V K Soni, Scientist 'E', India Meteorological Department, New Delhi (IMD)
- 6. Dr Anil K. Singh, RO, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board (Noida)
- 7. Shri Utsav Sharma, AEE, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Boards (Greater Noida)
- 8. Shri A.K. Tiwari, RO, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board (Greater Noida)
- 9. Dr J. B. Sharma, RO (Gurugram), Haryana State Pollution Control Board
- 10. Smt. Shalini Manoj, Central Pollution Control Board