

**Minutes of Fifty Sixth Meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan held on  
November 11, 2019 at CPCB, Delhi**

Fifty sixth meeting of the Task Force was convened at 16:00 hours on November 11, 2019 at CPCB. The Member Secretary, CPCB, chaired the meeting. List of participants is annexed.

It was explained by Dr. V.K. Soni, IMD that inspite of winds, AQI has fallen back to Very Poor category. North-westerly winds and increased incidents of stubble burning (estimated to be 18% on November 11, 2019) have also contributed to deterioration. As per IMD, air quality situation is likely to remain under Very Poor to Severe category and improvement is indicated only after November 13, 2019. From November 14, 2019, winds are likely to be stronger resulting in better dispersion of pollutants.

In view of the above, it is recommended that operation of industries which were restricted earlier may commence from November 14, 2019.

Meteorological conditions and air quality may again be reviewed on November 13, 2019 and further advisory be issued, if needed.

Meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

List of participants

1. Sh. Prashant Gargava, Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board
2. Dr. T.K. Joshi, Advisor, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
3. Dr. M.P. George, Scientist, Delhi Pollution Control Committee (video conferencing)
4. Dr. V. K. Soni, Scientist 'E', India Meteorological Department (video conferencing)
5. Sh. Utsav Sharma, RO Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
6. Sh. Vivek Goel. RO, Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board, RO, Bhiwadi
7. Sh A.K. Singh, RO (Gautambudh Nagar), Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
8. Praveen Kumar, EE, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
9. Neha Saran, Asst. Environment Engineer(video conferencing)
10. Sh. Nalin Kumar Gupta, Additional Director, Central Pollution Control Board
11. Sh. Sharandeep Singh, Scientist 'D', Central Pollution Control Board