

**Minutes of Fifty Eighth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan held on
November 16, 2019 at CPCB, Delhi**

Fifty eighth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) was convened on November 16, 2019. List of participants is annexed.

Improvement in AQI was observed, which reached to Very Poor category from past few days of Severe and Severe Plus categories. Dr. V.K. Soni, IMD informed that wind direction is North-westerly with high surface winds. It is likely to strengthen further until November 18, 2019 thereafter, AQI may fall in the higher end of Poor category or lower end of Very Poor category.

In view of the above, Task Force recommends the following:

1. Industrial operations such as coal-based industries in NCR namely Faridabad, Gurugram, Ghaziabad, Noida, Greater Noida, Sonapat, and Bahadurgarh and non-PNG industries in Delhi **which were earlier banned by EPCA** may now commence subject to taking adequate control measures and compliance to prescribed environmental norms.
2. SPCBs and other implementing agencies must continue to remain on alert, ensure regular surveillance and take all necessary actions to curb air polluting activities.
3. Hot mix plant, ready mix plants, and stone crusher shall continue to remain closed.

Minutes are issued with the approval of Member Secretary, CPCB and Chairman of the Task Force.

List of Participants

1. Dr. V. K. Soni, Scientist 'E', India Meteorological Department (video conferencing)
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3. Sh. A.K. Singh, RO (Gautambudh Nagar), Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
4. Sh. Utsav Sharma, RO (Ghaziabad), Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
5. Sh. Vivek Goel, RO, Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board, RO, Bhiwadi
6. Sh. Praveen Kumar, EE, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board
7. Sh. Sachin Narwal, Haryana State Pollution Control Board (video conferencing)
8. Sh. Nalin Kumar Gupta, Additional Director, Central Pollution Control Board , Delhi
9. Sh. Sharandeep Singh, Scientist 'D', Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi