

**Minutes of Fifty Ninth Meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan held on
December 05, 2019 at CPCB, Delhi**

Fifty ninth meeting of Task Force was convened on December 05, 2019 to discuss the issues related to shift in air quality index from Poor to Very Poor category. The meeting was chaired by Dr T. K. Joshi, Health Expert. List of participants is annexed.

Dr. V.K. Soni, IMD provided inputs on the prevailing meteorological conditions and its future forecast. It was informed that slow surface winds having wind-speeds to the tune of 4 kmph is expected to continue for next five days i.e. during Dec. 05-10, 2019. Present wind direction is from North and expected to shift from North to North-East from tomorrow onwards. This may result in further deterioration in the air quality at Delhi NCR and AQI may fall in the lower end of Severe category by tomorrow. It is also forecasted that since 11.12.2019, rains with thunder-storms may occur and result in improvement of air quality.

In view of the above, following recommendations are made by the Task Force:

1. All implementing agencies to be on high alert and take stringent measures to control air polluting activities.
2. Enforcement activities may be intensified particularly in hotspot and industrial areas.
3. Public may minimise use of private vehicles.

Meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

List of Participants

1. Sh. T. K. Joshi, Health Expert
2. Sh. Pankaj Kapil, SEE, Delhi Pollution Control Committee
3. Dr. V. K. Soni, Scientist 'E', India Meteorological Department (video conferencing)
4. Sh. A.K. Singh, RO (GB Nagar), Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board (video conferencing)
5. Sh. Praveen Kumar, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board (video conferencing)
6. Sh. K. M. Srivastava, AEE, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board (Noida)
7. Sh. Sapna Srivastava, ASO, Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board (Ghaziabad)
8. Sh. Sohan Lal, Jr. Scientific Officer, Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board, RO, Bhiwadi
9. Sh. Sachin Narwal, RO, Haryana State Pollution Control Board (video conferencing)
10. Sh. Nalin Kumar Gupta, Additional Director, Central Pollution Control Board
11. Sh. Sharandeep Singh, Scientist 'D', Central Pollution Control Board