

**Minutes of sixth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan  
held on October 04, 2017 at CPCB, Delhi**

Sixth meeting of Task Force on Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), was convened on October 04, 2017 at Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri. A. Sudhakar, Member Secretary, CPCB. List of participants is annexed.

Dr. Prashant Gargava, AD & Head, AQM Division welcomed the participants and briefed about high levels of PM in Faridabad, Gurugram, Noida and Ghaziabad as compared to Delhi. Member Secretary C.P.C.B and Dr. Gargava suggested that ROs need to sensitize concerned departments, local level teams to keep robust check on any air polluting activities like construction, Road Dust, visibly polluting vehicle, garbage burning, etc. specifically on a day before and on the day of FIFA matches in Delhi. The teams should take all the extra efforts starting from October 05, 2017 till October 16, 2017.

DPCC was informed regarding traffic congestion and high level pollution due to NHAI construction activities, at Gazipur chowk and was requested to take necessary action. DPCC informed that three monitoring stations, at match venues have come into operation. DG sets are permitted at the match venue with a condition to operate within the standards, and if PM levels go beyond poor during the period, permission should be taken from EPCA. It was informed, that RSPCB has banned working of non-zig-zag brick kilns. UPPCB was requested to close down unauthorized brick kilns. M.S., CPCB added, that any unauthorized air polluting activity during the period need to be addressed and stopped with immediate effect.

It was updated that information from IMD on weather forecast and warning alerts, 07 days in advance are now being provided to members of the Task Force. The details are also received from Punjab and Haryana regarding stubble burning. He suggested that based on the analysis of data, Task Force may suggest activities, if any, to EPCA.

After detailed deliberations following was agreed upon:

1. Task Force will meet on every Monday at 4:00 p.m., wherein, previous week's air quality data and advance forecast, will be reviewed.
2. Recommendation, if any, shall be finalized during the meeting and forwarded to EPCA.
3. SPCBs to provide comprehensive report on challans per day for agriculture burning to Task Force
4. A press release providing summary of Task Force deliberations will be issued on the day of meeting.
5. Copies of all minutes and recommendations of the Task Force to be made available at CPCB website- by IT Division of CPCB.

Meeting ended with thanks to chair.

**List of participants:**

1. Shri. A Sudhakar, Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board.
2. A.K.Tiwari, RO, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board (Greater Noida).
3. Utsav Sharma, AEE, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board (Greater Noida).
4. Dr. B.B Awasthi, Regional Officer, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board (Noida).
5. Dr. M.P Gorge, Scientist 'D', Delhi Pollution Control Committee.
6. J. P. Maurya, AEE, Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board (Noida).
7. Dr. Jai Bhagwan Sharma, Regional Officer, Haryana State Pollution Control Board (Gurugram).
8. Dr. P. K. M. K Das, Regional Officer, Faridabad.
9. Ajay Sharma, Regional Officer, Ghaziabad.
10. D. Saha, Scientist 'E' Central Pollution Control Board.
11. K. C. Gupta, Rajasthan Pollution Control Board.
12. Dr. Prashant Gargava, Head AQM, Central Pollution Control Board.
13. Ms. Sakshi Batra, SSA, Central Pollution Control Board.
14. Parinita Baruah, Junior Research Fellow, Central Pollution Control Board.