

## **Brief Report on Visit of Chairman & Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board to Bengaluru**

Sh. Susheel Kumar, IAS, Chairman and Sh. A. B. Akolkar, Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board visited Bengaluru during January 9-10, 2014. On 9-1-2014, The Chairman and Member Secretary, CPCB along with Sh. S. Suresh, Zonal Officer, Bengaluru and other senior officials of CPCB & KSPCB visited common treatment facilities like M/s E-parisara Pvt Ltd, M/s Karnataka Waste Management Project (Common Hazardous Waste Treatment facility) and M/s Semb Ramky Environmental Management Pvt. Ltd (Common Biomedical waste treatment facility) at Dobaspet, Bangalore to check measures on pollution and energy efficiency.



**Photo 1:**  
The Chairman & MS, CPCB proceeding for the site visit at M/s E-parisara Pvt. Ltd along with senior officials of CPCB & KSPCB.

The team first visited M/s E-Parisara Pvt Ltd. Dr. P. Parthasarthy, Managing Director, E-parisara welcomed all members and then made a technical presentation and explained all the unit operations and processes involved in the treatment.



**Photo 2:**  
The team made a detailed visit and reviewed all unit operations involved in the segregation and recovery of valuable metals from E-waste.

The team then visited the Treatment, Storage & Disposal Facility at Dobaspet. The team was received by Sh. Seshagiri Rao, Head -IWM Ramky Enviro Engineers Ltd and Sh. Dilip Reddy Project Manager. The team was apprised about the operations involved in the TSDF after which, the team visited the laboratory, leachate pond and Cells where landfilling was under progress.



**Photo3:**  
The Chairman & MS, CPCB and senior officials of CPCB & KSPCB being briefed about the M/s Karnataka Waste Management Project, TSDF site by Sh. Dilip Reddy, Project Manager.

The Chairman, CPCB interacted and held discussions with all the facilities and emphasized on maintaining high standards and norms of safety and environment while conducting World class operations.

The Chairman, CPCB informed that the common treatment facilities must aim at reducing the accumulation of used and discarded wastes and must encourage backyard recycling and thereby reducing load on the landfills. The Chairman further stressed that the facilities should transfer waste into socially and industrially beneficial raw materials like valuable metals, plastics and glass using simple, cost efficient, home grown, environmental friendly technologies suitable to Indian Conditions.

Chairman CPCB on 10.01.2014 convened the 5<sup>th</sup> Regional conference of Chairmen & Member Secretaries of Southern SPCB's/PCC's at Conference room, CPCB Zonal office, Bengaluru. Over 20 participants from five states, one Union territory and MoEF southern zone regional office participated in the conference.

The Member Secretary, CPCB welcomed all the invitees and informed that all PCB's must work in co-ordination so as to achieve the common goal of pollution mitigation in India. The Chairman, CPCB assured all SPCB's/PCC's that CPCB shall extend all necessary co-operation to further strengthen co-ordination between CPCB and SPCB's and to solve interstate

disputes and to enhance interstate relationship. Each state presented the major issues pertaining to their respective state and then suggestions/ opinions were given from the Chairmen of CPCB & other SPCB's after considerable discussion.

The major issues discussed during the conference are as follows:

- Online stack monitoring and uploading on PCB server
- Up-gradation of CAAQM stations to monitor the notified 12 parameters
- Commissioning of CAAQM stations in millions of cities across India
- Recognition/ Accreditation of PCB labs under NABL.
- Rules on disposal of construction & Demolition wastes
- SPCB's to ensure compliance of environmental standards among industries existing in their respective state
- All SPCB's/ PCC's to furnish annual returns so as to publish country wide quarterly/ annual summary reports.
- Implementation of online Consent Management in states



**Photo 4:** The Member Secretary, CPCB presenting the common agenda issues

In national concern, Member Secretary, CPCB presented few common agenda issues pertaining to all southern states and sought time bound action from concerned SPCB's/ PCC's.



The Chairman, CPCB concluded the conference by insisting that science and innovation must be used as critical tools to boost the development and for pollution mitigation in India. The Zonal Officer, Bengaluru thanked the Chairman and Member Secretary, CPCB and all the participants for making this conference a resounding success.

## Snapshots of the Conference



