



**SPEED POST**

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The Chairman  
Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board  
T.A Building, HEC Campus, P.O. Dhurwa  
Ranchi – 834004, Jharkhand

**Sub.: Directions under Section 18 (1) (b) of The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 regarding preparation of city action plans for non-attainment/ Million plus cities-reg.**

WHEREAS, under Section 16 (2) (b) (d) (g) and (j) of The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, mandates Central Pollution Control Board (hereinafter referred as CPCB) to execute nation-wide programme, provide technical assistance and guidance to the State Boards for prevention, control or abatement of air pollution; collect, compile and publish technical and statistical data relating to air pollution control and abatement of air pollution and perform such other functions as may be prescribed;

WHEREAS, air pollution particularly PM10 and PM2.5 has emerged as a major health concern in most of the cities & towns, with air quality reaching to alarming levels; and

WHEREAS, based on the data for the period 2015–2019, 124 cities failed to meet the prescribed standards are identified as non-attainment cities; and

WHEREAS, in pursuant to Hon'ble National Green Tribunal order, all the States and Union Territories with non-attainment cities were required to constitute Air Quality Monitoring Committee (AQMC), and AQMCs to prepare appropriate action plans aimed at bringing the standards of air quality within the prescribed norms; and

WHEREAS, as per order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, a three member committee shall examine the Action Plans and on the recommendations of the said Committee, the Chairman, CPCB shall approve the same; and

WHEREAS, city action plan for one non-attainment city of Jharkhand State was already approved for implementation on 09-10-2019; and

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WHEREAS, under XV- Financial commission (2020-21) funds were sanctioned to 42 million plus cities for air quality improvement; and

WHEREAS, out of 42 million plus cities 8 cities (Rajkot, Faridabad, Jamshedpur, Ranchi, Vasai-Virar, Jabalpur, Chennai and Meerut) which are not non-attainment were also requested to prepare city action plan; and


WHEREAS, the city action plans for Jamshedpur and Ranchi cities of Jharkhand State received on 10-03-2021 were conditional approved by the committee and accordingly letter was sent to The Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board on 24-03-2021; and

WHEREAS, reminder dated 01-06-2021 was sent to Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board by CPCB to submit revised plans incorporating all recommendations of the committee; and

WHEREAS, the revised city action plans of **Jamshedpur and Ranchi** cities is still awaited; and


Now therefore, in exercise of powers vested under Section 18 (1) (b) of The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 you are directed to submit revised city action plans for aforesaid cities as per the CPCB letter dated 24-03-2021;

The receipt of this direction shall be acknowledged immediately and revised action plans shall be submitted to CPCB before 15-07-2021.

  
(Naresh Pal Gangwar)  
Chairman

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