

## Air Quality in Delhi :( 1989-2000)

### Foreword

Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) initiated National Ambient Air Quality Monitoring (NAAQM) programme in the year 1984 and this programme was later renamed as the National Air Monitoring Programme (NAMP). This report describes the findings of air quality monitoring in Delhi as a component of the national programme. In addition to the pollutants monitored under the national programme, additional pollutants such as Lead, Carbon Monoxide (CO), Benzo (a) Pyrene (B(a)P) and Ozone are monitored in Delhi. Monitoring is also carried out regularly at Bahadurshah Zafar Marg and at other major traffic intersections in Delhi.

This report is based on the air quality monitoring studies carried out during the period 1989 to 2000 in Delhi. Status and trends of air pollutants measured in Delhi as also strategies for air quality monitoring are presented in this report. I am thankful to my colleagues Dr. B. Sengupta, Member Secretary and Shri Naresh .Badhwar , Assistant Environmental Engineer for their contribution in preparation of this report,



We hope, the report will be useful to all concerned with air quality management in Delhi, .

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dilip Biswas".

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