

Government of Punjab
Department of Science Technology and Environment
Directorate of Environment & Climate Change

To

- (i) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of Local Government
- (ii) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of Industries & Commerce
- (iii) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of Housing and Urban Development
- (iv) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of Agriculture
- (v) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of Transport
- (vi) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of PWD (B&R)
- (vii) The Additional Director General of Police (Traffic),
Department of Home Affairs
- (viii) The Administrative Secretary,
Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs

Letter No. DECC/2019/44-51
Dated, Chandigarh the 8th February, 2019

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Department of Science, Technology & Environment regarding Finalization of Draft Action Plan for Clean Air, Khanna, Dera Baba Nanak, Jalandhar, Patiala and Amritsar control of pollution in River Beas on 06.02.2019 at 12.30 PM.

Respected Sir,

The minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Department of Science, Technology & Environment regarding "Finalization of Draft Action Plan for Clean Air, Khanna, Dera Baba Nanak, Jalandhar, Patiala and Amritsar" on 06.02.2019 at 12.30 PM are enclosed herewith for your kind information and further necessary action please.



Joint Director

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Dated, Chandigarh, the 8th February, 2019

Copy to:

- (i) Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Science, Technology & Environment for his kind information.
- (ii) Private Secretary to Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, Punjab for his kind information.
- (iii) Private Secretary to Chairman, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala for necessary action please.


Joint Director

Minutes of 3rd Meeting of Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Committee held under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Govt. of Punjab on 06.02.19 at 12:30 PM in the Conference Room, O/o PSCST, Chandigarh regarding Finalization of Draft Action Plan for Clean Air, Khanna, Jalandhar, Amritsar, Patiala and Dera Baba Nanak

1. The list of attendees is attached at Annexure – I.
2. Joint Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change(DECC) welcomed the members and apprised them about the decisions of National Green Tribunal(NGT) for preparing action plans of nine non-attainment cities of Punjab within two months aimed at bringing the standards of air quality within the prescribed norms within six months from the date of finalization of the action plans.
3. It was further informed that Khanna, Jalandhar, Amritsar, Patiala and Dera Baba Nanak fall among the list of nine non-attainment cities identified by NGT. The action plans for these cities have been prepared by PPCB in consultation with various stakeholder departments. These plans have been reviewed in the District Level Air Quality Monitoring Committee meeting held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner /Additional Deputy Commissioner.
4. The major sources contributing for deterioration of ambient air quality have been identified as industries, road dust,vehicular emissions etc. The present status of ambient air quality being monitored by PPCB was also discussed. The draft action plan proposed to control air pollution from various sources was deliberated with the various stakeholders along with their respective timelines.
5. After detailed deliberations, the following decisions were taken:
 - (i) It was noted that as per CPCB guidelines for installation of CAAQMS, it should preferably be in residential areas and away from any source of pollution. It was further informed that the manual systems were located in industrial areas or close to sources of pollution in NayaNangal, Dera Baba Nanak, Patiala, DeraBassi etc. and the measurement of quality is from these areas. The quality will be much better in residential areas of these towns.
 - (ii) It was accordingly decided that PPCB should ascertain the policy for installation of Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations (Manual/ Online) and see whether some of the cities will move out from the list of non-attainment cities. The Needful may be done in two weeks.
 - (iii) PPCB shall engage the services of IIT Delhi or other such reputed government institution for carrying out source apportionment studies for the cities for non-attainment cities.
 - (iv) It was discussed that Public Awareness is very important for control of air pollution. While implementation of public awareness actions will be done at the district level and through different departments/organizations, there is need to design and finalize the IEC material required for organizing public awareness programmes at the Central Level. PPCB may accordingly engage an agency to design IEC material.
 - (v) The actions required for shifting of industries from non-designated area needs to be studied as per the provisions of notified master plan.
 - (vi) The possibility of funding from “Urban Environment Improvement Programme” launched by Government of Punjab for the infrastructure/ maintenance related activities proposed in the action plans may be explored.
 - (vii) All the stakeholder departments were requested that the action plan should indicate measureable targets/ milestones for each activity to control the air pollution from various sources.



- (viii) It was also discussed that PPCB may engage an agency for handholding district administration in rolling out the action plan in terms tracking progress reports, explaining various action points and supporting ROs and other city authorities in coordinating and reviewing the progress at the district level.
6. All the stakeholder departments were directed to check the baseline data & timelines given in the action plan before its submission to NGT and send their written feedback, if any by 8th February, 2019 as the plan will be submitted to NGT.
7. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to Chair.

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List of Attendees

1. **Dr. S.S. Marwaha,**
Chairman,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
2. **Hartej Singh, IPS,**
DIG, Traffic
Department of Punjab Police
3. **Sh. Pawan Garg,**
Member Secretary,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
4. **Sh. Gulshan Rai,**
Chief Environment Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
5. **Sh. G.S. Majithia,**
Chief Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
6. **Sh. Manmohan Kalia,**
Joint Director Agriculture Engineer,
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
7. **Sh. Pardeep Garg,**
Joint Director,
Directorate of Environment and Climate Change
8. **Sh. Radesh Kalra,**
Joint Deputy Director,
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (PRTC)
9. **Sh. M.P. Singh,**
General Manager,
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (PRTC)
10. **Sh. Tarlochan Singh Sahota,**
Department of Transport
11. **Sh. S.P.Singh Longia,**
Officer on Special Duty,
Department of Industries & Commerce, Punjab
12. **Dr. Charanjit Singh,**
Scientific Officer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
13. **Sh. Arun Kakkar,**
Environment Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
14. **Sh. Lovneet Dubey,**
Environment Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
15. **Mrs Anuradha Sharma,**
Environmental Engineer,
Directorate of Environment & Climate Change



16. **Sh. Parveen Saluja,**
Environment Engineer,
Directorate of Environment & Climate Change
17. **Sh. Vijay Kumar,**
Environmental Engineer
Punjab Pollution Control Board
18. **Sh. Ravinder Bhatti,**
Environment Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
19. **Sh. Merrick Garg,**
Works Manager, Nodal Officer,
Department of State Transport, Punjab
20. **Sh. Abhishek Chahuan,**
Scientific Officer,
Directorate of Environment & Climate Change
21. **Sh. Gulshan Kumar,**
Assistant Environmental Engineer
Punjab Pollution Control Board
22. **Sh. Gurmit Singh,**
Assistant Environment Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
23. **Sh. Sukhdev Singh,**
Assistant Environment Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board
24. **Sh. Jaspal Singh,**
Sub Divisional Engineer,
Punjab Small Industries & Export Corporation Ltd.
25. **Ms. Meenu Jasra,**
Superintendent (Branch),
Department of Food & Civil Supplies

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