

Agenda of Air Quality Monitoring Committee (AQMC) meeting to be held under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur to review the progress of activities under Action Plan of Clean Air – Dera Baba Nanak.

It is submitted that the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, New Delhi has passed orders on 15/03/2019 in O.A. No. 681 of 2018, wherein the National Green Tribunal has directed 06 states including Punjab to submit Action Plan for 09 non-attainment cities of Punjab namely Amritsar, Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Patiala, Dera Baba Nanak, Khanna, Mandi Gobindgarh, Naya Nangal and Derra Bassi by 30/04/2019 for bringing the Ambient Air Quality standards within the prescribed norms, failing which states would be liable to pay Environment Compensation of Rs. 1.00 Crore each. Action Plan of the State, if found to be deficient will be liable to pay Rs. 25.00 Lacs each.

Action Plan for Clean Air, Dera Baba Nanak has been notified by Directorate of Environment and Climate Change Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Govt. of Punjab on 30/04/2019, wherein timelines have been given to the stake holders / departments to complete the activity related to them. Monitoring of the progress of activities under the Action Plan will be monitored by the following monitoring committees constituted at different levels in the above said action plan:

1. AQMC at District Level under Deputy Commissioner
2. AQMC at State level under Principal Secretary, Environment
3. Steering Committee under Chief Secretary

1st meeting of District Level Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Committee (AQMC) was held on 19/01/2019 under the Chairmanship of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dera Baba Nanak, Distt-Gurdaspur to review the progress of activities of Action Plan of Clean Air – Dera Baba Nanak. The details of progress achieved by concerned Departments have been mentioned in the minutes of meeting and same have been circulated to the concerned stake holders.

The 2nd meeting of District level Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Committee (AQMC) was held on 22/04/2019 under the Chairmanship of Sh. Vipul Ujjwal, Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur to review the progress of activities of Action Plan of Clean Air – Dera Baba Nanak. The details of progress achieved by concerned Departments as on 31/03/2019 have been mentioned in the minutes of meeting and same have been circulated to the concerned stake holders.

The 3rd meeting of District level Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Committee (AQMC) is going to be held to review the progress achieved as on 25/08/2019. The details of activities are mentioned below:

Sr. No.	Action Point	Description	Responsible Department	Target to be Achieved	Target Date	Progress Achieved/Directions by Chairman As on 31.03.2019	Implementation Status as per DECC, Chandigarh	Progress Achieved/Directions by Chairman as on 25.08.2019
1	CIE 4A	Inspection of Units for Checking Compliance	PPCB	% units found non complying out of 5 industries visited.	30.09.2019		0%	
2	CIE 4B	Action against non-complying industrial units	PPCB	% of units against which action taken	30.09.2019	Not Required as there is no any industry.is operating within the M.C limit of the town.	NA, Satisfactory	
3	CRD 1	Maintain potholes free roads for free-flow of traffic/ timely patchwork on roads.	Municipal Council	% road length made pothole free out of 5.6 km	31.10.2019	The official of Municipal Council informed that estimate has been prepared worth Rs. 35.0 Lac for repair of roads. However, no amount is sanctioned to the M.C yet, therefore, no further progress has been made by the M.C in this regard.	0%, Non-Starter	
4	CRD 2A	Water sprinkling on Identified Roads	Municipal Council	% of average road length sprinkled out of 1km/day	Regular Activity	The official of Municipal Council informed that the municipal council is having 01 water sprinkling tanker at present and there is proposal to purchase 01 additional water tanker and the same will be purchased by 30.09.2019. The Chairman suggested Municipal Council, Authorities to utilize treated water of STPs for water sprinkling purpose.	100%, Good	
5	CRD 4	Creation of green buffers along the traffic corridors	Municipal Council	No. of trees/shrubs planted out of 100 Nos.	Regular Activity	The official of Municipal Council informed that they have already planted more than 250 trees at different locations in Dera Baba Nanak. The Chairman directed the official to identify more land areas to plant trees.	100%, Good	
6	CRD 5	Greening of open areas community places, schools and housing societies	Municipal Council	No. of trees/shrubs planted out of 100 Nos.	Regular Activity	The official of MC further informed that tree plantation in the city is a regular activity.	0%, Non-Starter	

7	CRD 6	Water fountains at major traffic intersections	Municipal Council	New Water fountains out of 1 Nos	31.03.2020	The official of Municipal Council informed that no space is available in the city area for installation of fountain. However, M.C is developing a park with fountain in the city area and about 30% work has been completed. He further informed that tree plantation in the city is a regular activity.	0%, Non-Starter	
8	CRD 7A	Kaccha/Brick Paved Roads to be made Pucca Roads	Municipal Council	Kaccha/Brick Paved Roads made Pucca Roads out of 3km	31.12.2019	-	0%, Non-Starter	
9	CRD 7B	Existing Roads Requiring Recarpeting	Municipal Council	Existing Roads recarpeted out of 14 km	31.03.2021	-	0%, Non-Starter	
10	CRD 7C	Blacktopping / laying of Interlocking Tiles of metalled road including pavement of road shoulders	Punjab Mandi Board	Berm Stabilizing by using interlocking tiles out of 4.6 km	31.03.2020	No one from the department of Punjab Mandi Board attended the meeting.	0%, Non-Starter	

11	CVE 1	Public awareness campaign for control of vehicular emissions	Department of Transport, Traffic Police	% of Public Awareness campaigns out of 100 nos	31.03.2020	No one from the department of transport attended the meeting. The Superintendent Police (HQ), Batala informed that awareness camps have been organized on weekly basis in educational institutes/ with vehicle unions. He further informed that 05 awareness camps were organized during the month of March, 2019 at Dera Baba Nanak in this regard. He also informed that a separate social media cell is created by the Police Department to spread awareness among peoples. The Chairman directed the Police officers to ensure that pollution check certificates of the vehicles will be issued in camps, organized with drivers, in future. After 01 month of issue of pollution check certificates, vehicles will be checked randomly and challans will be imposed on the violators.	7%, Extremely Slow	
12	CVE 2	Remote sensor-based PUC system (Pollution Check Centers)	Department of Transport & PPCB	% of PUC linked with VAHAN/SAA RHI	30.06.2020	No one from the department of transport attended the meeting. The Assistant Environmental Engineer informed that the matter is under consideration at Head Office level. He further brought out into the kind notice of Chairman that PPCB officers are also checking the PUC centers as per directions received from Head Office from time to time and action against violating PUCs is also recommended to Head Office. The Chairman directed PPCB officials to recommend action against violating PUC centers to the Secretary, RTA also.	0%, Non-Starter	
13	CVE 3	Extensive drive against polluting vehicles	Traffic Police	Vehicle found Polluting (Nos)	Monthly	The Superintendent of Police informed that 1 challan were issued during the month of March, 2019. He further informed that their department is going to establish a special cell at Dera Baba Nanak after completion of Lok Sabha election, 2019.	12, Extremely Slow	

14	CVE 4A(i)	Creating Parking infrastructure by additional designated parking sites	Municipal Council	Parking Sites Constructed out of 1 Nos	30.09.2020	-	0%, Non-Starter	
15	CVE 4B(i)	Installing Additional "No Parking" sign Boards to prevent parking of vehicles in Non-designated areas	Municipal Council	% of Sign Boards installed out of 4 Nos	30.09.2019	-	0%, Non-Starter	
16	CVE 4B(ii)	Prevent parking of vehicles in non-designated areas	Municipal Council/ Traffic Police	No. of Challans Issued	Monthly	Official of the Municipal Council informed that there is no space available within the M.C limit of the town for construction of new parking. The Chairman directed that official to prepare a parking policy for suitable vehicle parking's within city area and also directed to remove the encroachment outside the shops to ensure free flow of traffic.	7, Satisfactory	
17	CVE 5	Check fuel adulteration	Department of Food and Civil Supplies	% of petro pumps found non-complying out of 100 inspections	Monthly	The Chairman directed that regular awareness be done by the Department of Food & Civil Supplies in this regard. He further directed that department of DFSC will ensure that all the petrol pumps will have documents & necessary equipment's available at site to check the fuel adulteration by any person at any time.	0%, Good	
18	CVE 6A	Widening of road and infrastructure for decongestion of road	Municipal Council	% of Road length widened out of 7.45 km	31.12.2019	The officials of Municipal Council informed that estimate for widening of 01 Km road stretch has been prepared worth Rs. 25.0 Lac, but amount has not been sanctioned to the M.C yet.	0%, Non-Starter	
19	CVE 9	Phasing out of commercial diesel vehicles more than 15 years old	Department of Transport	Policy matter	31.03.2021	No one from the department of transport attended the meeting, however, the Assistant Environmental Engineer informed that this is policy matter and action is to be taken at Govt. level.	0%, Non-Starter	

20	CVE 10	Promotion of E-vehicles	Department of Transport	Policy matter	31.03.2020	No one from the department of transport attended the meeting, however, the Assistant Environmental Engineer informed that this is policy matter and action is to be taken at Govt. level.	Policy framed, yet to be notified, low	
21	CVE 11B	Introduction of CNG based city Bus Service	Municipal Council	No. of CNG based buses	31.03.2022	Action not required	0%, Non-Starter	
22	CVE 11C	Introduction of CNG based Auto/taxis	Department of Transport	No. of CNG based Auto/Taxis	31.03.2022		0%, Non-Starter	
23	CBGB 1	Control on open burning of biomass in City	Municipal Council	% composting Pits constructed out of 7 Nos	31.03.2022	The officials of Municipal Council informed that MC has constructed 07 composting pits at different locations in the city for collection of horticulture waste to avoid burning of biomass in the city. The Chairman directed the officials to setup a help line number at M.C office, so as to file complaint by the people, if any, in this regard.	100%, Good	
24	CBGB 2	Control on burning of municipal solid wastes	Municipal Council	% of sites found burning solid waste	Regular Inspections	The officials of Municipal Council informed that MC has constructed 07 composting pits at different locations in the city for collection of horticulture waste to avoid burning of biomass in the city. He further informed that the MC has identified new solid waste dump site at village Sadhanwali and estimate has been prepared by the M.C for construction of 20 new compost pits.	0%, Extremely Slow	

25	CBGB 3A	Control on burning of agriculture waste and crop residue - Challans Issued	District Administration, Department of Agriculture, Police, PSPCL, Revenue Department & PPCB	% of Challans issued out of 11708 reported incidents	During Rabi/Kharif Season	The Assistant Environmental Engineer brought out into the kind notice of Chairman that teams are constituted during crop harvesting season, every year for control of stubble burning incidents. The official of Agriculture Department informed about the physical progress report of machinery provided to farmers as well as detail of camps organized at District Level, Block Level and Village Level to control the stubble burning.	0.3% , Extremely Slow	
26	CBGB 3B	Control on burning of agriculture waste and crop residue - Recovery of EC	District Administration, Department of Agriculture, Police, PSPCL, Revenue Department & PPCB	% of amount of EC Recovered	During Rabi/Kharif Season		7%, Extremely Slow	
27	COS 2	Establish an Air Quality Management Division at SPCB HQ	PPCB	Set Up Division	NA	The AEE, PPCB informed that this is policy matter and relates to Head Office.	NA	
28	COS 3	Setup helpline in each city / town as well as SPCB HQ Policy	PPCB	No Of helpline Setup out of 01 Nos	31.03.2020	The AEE, PPCB informed that this is policy matter and relates to Head Office. The Chairman asked about the helpline to be setup at the city level.	0%, Non-Starter	
29	COS 4A	Monitoring of D.G sets	PPCB/Municipal Council	% Of DG Sets found Non-Complying	Regular Inspections	The AEE, informed that there is no industrial unit operating in the M.C limit of Dera Baba Nanak.	0%, Non-Starter	

30	COS 4B	Monitoring of D.G sets- Action Against non-complying DG Sets	PPCB/Municipal Council	% cases Of action taken against the non-Complying DG Sets	Regular Inspections	The AEE, informed that there is no industrial unit operating in the M.C limit of Dera Baba Nanak.	0%, Non-Starter	
31	COS 5	Source Appointment Studies	PPCB	Yet to Start/ Already Done	31.03.2020	-	Yet to Start, PPCB Signed MoU with IIT Delhi	
32	CCDA 1A	Enforcement of Construction & Demolition Rules - Inspection of Sites	Municipal Council	% of Sites inspected out of 50 Construction Sites	Regular Inspections	The official of Municipal Council, informed that the M.C has identified a new site at village Sadhanwali to be used as dump site for construction waste material. The Chairman directed the officials the M.C that M.C will lift the whole construction waste material and construction material stored by the people in the streets since long, from the city area within 01 month. Thereafter, announcement will be done by the M.C for not to dump/store the construction waste material in the city. After announcement, if someone is found violating the provisions of C& D Act, then challan will be issued to that person. The Chairman directed the officials the M.C that M.C will lift the whole construction waste material and construction material stored by the people in the streets since long, from the city area within 01 month. Thereafter, announcement will be done by the M.C for not to dump/store the construction waste material in the city. After announcement, if someone is found violating the provisions of C& D Act, then challan will be issued to that person. The Chairman also directed the officials of PPCB to visit the city area after 01 month to check the compliance made by the M.C.	22%, Slow	

33	CCDA 1B	Enforcement of Construction & Demolition Rules - Non-complying sites	Municipal Council	% of non complying sites from the inspected sites.	Monthly		0%, NA	
34	CCDA 1C	Enforcement of Construction & Demolition Rules - Action against Non-complying sites	Municipal Council	% of non complying sites against which action initiated	Monthly		NA, NA	
35	CCDA 2	Notification of Processing site for C&D Waste	Municipal Council/ NHAI	% of Sites notified out of 1 identified sites	31.03.2022	The Chairman directed the officials of PPCB to write letter to NHAI Authorities for implementation of the provisions of the C&D Act during construction of Corridor Project at Dera Baba Nanak.	No progress, Non-Starter	
36	CCDA 3	Control Measures for carrying the construction material enclosed/covered vessels	Municipal Council/ NHAI	% of inspected vehicles found violating the rules out of 3 inspections	Regular Inspections	The Chairman directed the officials of PPCB to write letter to NHAI Authorities for implementation of the provisions of the C & D Rules during construction of Corridor Project at Dera Baba Nanak.	0%, Slow	

Others

37	CVE 13	Retrofitting of particulate filters in diesel vehicles for BS-V fuels	Department of Transport			No one from the department of transport attended the meeting.		
38	CIE 3	Conversion of natural draft brick kilns to induced draft	PPCB			The Assistant Environmental Engineer, PPCB brought into the kind notice of Chairman that only 01 brick kilns exist within 05 Km periphery of MC limits, which has not yet adopted induced draft technology, but the same will adopt induced draft technology by 30.09.2019.		

39	COS 1	Dissemination of Air Quality Index	PPCB			The Chairman has directed the official of PPCB to make arrangement to install LED at any location in the city area, so as to display the results of RDS machines already installed by PPCB at C-Pyte area to the public.		
40	COS 4	Coverage of LPG/PNG for domestic and commercial cooking	Municipal Council			The officials of Municipal Council informed that no progress has been made in this regard yet.		