

Sub: Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner (General), Jalandhar on 31/05/2019 at 04:00 pm at Committee Hall, DC Office, Jalandhar regarding discussion of action plan for controlling air pollution of Jalandhar City with Government Stakeholders.

At the outset of the meeting, the Assistant Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Jalandhar welcomed Additional Deputy Commissioner (General) and different stakeholders. The list of participants is attached as Annexure-A.

Assistant Environment Engineer, PPCB has brought out 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 Jalandhar, Amritsar, Ludhiana, Patiala, Dera Baba Nanak, Khanna, Mandi Gobindgarh, Naya Nangal and Derra Bassi by 30/04/2019 for bringing the standards of Air Quality within the prescribed norms. In compliance to which after getting reply from each stakeholder, Action Plan for Clean Air Jalandhar has got finalized on 30.04.2019.

Thereafter, the Chairman took serious view regarding absence of various other stakeholders in the meeting and has directed Punjab Pollution Control Board to personally inform to the Head of the various departments deputed in the city regarding schedule of the meetings to be held in future.

The major identified sources of air pollution such as Vehicular Emissions, Road Dust, Burning of Bio-mass & Garbage, Industrial Emissions, Construction and Demolition Activities and Other Sources were described in detail. The department wise related activities were read out as per the Draft Action Plan presented in the meeting from Annexure-C to Annexure-H.

During meeting, the action plan for control on Vehicular Emission was discussed in detail, Municipal Corporation Authorities, Department of Transport, Traffic Police and NHAI Officials were not present in the meeting to update regarding status of completion of work w.r.t activities proposed to be carried out in the Action Plan. Official from PUDA informed that administrative approvals are pending due to which work w.r.t road construction/repair has not yet started. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) stressed that concerned departments during their intra-departmental meetings should highlight the issue w.r.t pending approvals for construction/repair, atleast for roads incorporated in the Action Plan.

The action plan for control on Road Dust was discussed; Municipal Corporation Authorities were not present in the meeting. However, later Municipal Corporation Authorities were approached by PPCB and the concerned SE (B&R) M.C Jalandhar informed that patch work has been done on the road stretch between PAP chowk to BSF chowk, Nakodar Road to B.R Ambedkar Chowk to M.C Limit, DAV flyover to Maqsudan Chowk, Patel chowk to Mai Heeta Gate and on road from GPO to Madan Flour Mill. Additionally, P.C has been laid on road between Guru Ravidass Chowk to Manbro Chowk and tender has been floated to construct road from Canal to Babu Jagjeevan Ram Chowk. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) directed

request to personally inform Joint Commissioner M.C Jalandhar regarding meetings to be held in future so that monthly status report can be incorporated in the proceedings of the forthcoming meetings.

The action plan for control on Burning of Garbage and Bio-mass was discussed in detail and Municipal Corporation Authorities telephonically informed that approx. 50 compost pits have been constructed so far. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) emphasized that Municipal Corporation shall complete the work w.r.t construction of remaining compost pits by 30.09.2019 and shall regularly issue chuffan in case burning of Municipal Solid Waste is observed.

The action plan for control on Industrial Emission was discussed in detail, and Punjab Pollution Control Board informed that all the 03 no. Industries which have installed induction furnace of capacity greater than 1 TPH have contacted PSCST Chandigarh and are in the process of upgrading their emission suction system as per the design of PSCST. Moreover out of 06 no. brick kilns, 03 no. brick kilns have already converted their brick kilns to induced draft technology and 02 no. brick kilns are permanently closed as the representative of the brick kilns informed that they don't propose to operate their BKO's in future. PPCB is regularly monitoring air polluting industries and necessary actions are being taken by the competent authority of PPCB for non-compliance reported against industries in Air Action Plan.

The action plan for control on Construction and Demolition Activities was discussed, the SE (B&R) M.C Jalandhar telephonically informed that DPR is being prepared by their department for setting up of processing/recycling plant as per C&D Rules, 2016 under smart city project. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) directed M.C Jalandhar to complete the process of setting up of processing/recycling plant within the time frame prescribed in the Action Plan.

The action plan for control on other Sources (City Specific) was discussed. Sh Gaurav Saxsena of M/s Jay Madhok Energy Pvt Ltd. was contacted telephonically and he informed that the status w.r.t laying of PNG pipeline, operation of CNG filling stations is same as already reported during previous month i.e PNG pipeline has been laid has completed in stretch of approx. 1.25 KM and network has been laid down in additional 4 KM stretch. He further informed that 1 no. CNG filling station is operational in Jalandhar city and additional 2 no. CNG stations i.e M/s Sunpreet Petro Plaza, Amritsar Bye Pass, Jalandhar and M/s M.R. Petroleum, Kapurthala Road, Jalandhar will be made operational within two months. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) directed M/s Jay Madhok Energy Pvt Ltd. to start the work w.r.t further laying of PNG pipeline immediately.

At the end, after detailed deliberations, all the representatives of the concerned departments/agencies were asked to complete the activities corresponding to their departments within the timeline prescribed in the Action Plan.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

The list of participants, who attended the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Jalandhar on 31/05/2019 at 04:00 pm at Committee Hall, DC Office, Jalandhar regarding discussion of action plan for controlling air pollution of Jalandhar City:-

1. Sh. B.S. Tuli, Xen, P.W.D, Jalandhar
2. Er. Guneet Sethi, Assistant Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Jalandhar.
3. Er. Bisham, Assistant Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Jalandhar
4. Sh. Gurmit Singh, PSIEC, Jalandhar
5. Smt. Seema Dhawan, DIC, Jalandhar
6. Sh. Pawan Kumar, JDA, PUDA, Jalandhar

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