

## **PUNJAB** POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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To

- The Senior Superintendent of Police, 1. Patiala
- The Regional Transport Officer, 2. Patiala
- The Senior Engineer cum Nodal Officer, 3. Municipal Corporation, Patiala
- The Superintend Engineer, 4. PSPCL, 66 KVA Grid Colony, Patiala.
- 5. The District Food & Civil Supplies Controller, Patiala
- 6. The Chief Agricultural Officer, Deptt. of Agriculture Patiala.
- 7. The Executive Engineer, PWD (B&R), Block-C, DC Office, Patiala.
- 8. The General Manager, District Industries Centre, Patiala.

Minutes of meeting held on 2/4/2019 at 10:30 AM w.r.t. Action Subject: Plan for Non-attainment City - Patiala

Reference: This office letter no. 804-12 dated 27/3/2019

Enclosed, please find herewith, minutes of held on 2/4/2019 w.r.t. Action Plan for Non-attainment City - Patiala for information and ensuring the compliance of the decisions taken in the said meeting.

DA/As above

Environmental Engineer

Dated. 5/4 A copy of the above is forwarded to PS to Chairman, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala for kind information to the Hon'ble Chairman, please.

D.A/As above

Environmental Engineer Dated 5/4/2019

A copy of the above is forwarded to PA to Deputy Commissioner, Patiala for kind information to the Hon'ble Deputy Commissioner, please.

D.A/As above

Environmental Engineer

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information

and further necessary action, please:

1) The Senior Environmental Engineer (HQ-1), Punjab Pollution Control

2) The Scientific Officer (Air), Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office Lab, Patiala

D.A/As above

Environmental Engineer

At the outset of the Meeting, the Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Patiala welcomed the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala and representative of the different departments. The list of officers/ officials, who attended the meeting is attached herewith as **Annexure-1**.

EE, PPCB informed that the Central Pollution Control Board, New Delhi, has declared Patiala as non-attainment city due to nonconforming to the ambient air quantity standards. Nine cities of Punjab namely Dera Bassi, Nangal, Patiala, Mandi Gobindgarh, Khanna, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Pathankot and Amritsar were declared nonattainment cities by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on the basis of Ambient air data for the period of 2011-2015 for not meeting the annual average of 60 μg/m3 for PM<sub>10</sub>. Directions were issued to the PPCB by CPCB to prepare action plans for the above stated non-attainment cities of Punjab. Subsequently, National Green Tribunal has taken cognizance of draft National Clean Air Program and passed directions in the matter of application no. 681 of 2018 dated 8/10/2018. Action Plan for Clean Air-Patiala has been prepared and the various activities/ works to be carried out by different departments alongwith timelines for the same has been mentioned in it.

## Directions given:

- 1) Deptt. of Transport alongwith Traffic Police to organize awareness programme for the control of vehicular emissions every month in different educational institutes and to send the report of the same to DC, Patiala as well as to PPCB, Regional Office, Patiala. Also, creating awareness through various local FM channels may be done as per Action Plan.
- 2) Deptt. of Transport to organize a meeting with e-rickshaw manufactures and Auto/ three wheelers association to motivate them to replace the use of old diesel based vehicles with e-rickshaw till policy from Deptt. of Transport finalized for phasing out.
- 3) Traffic Police deployed at various important cross sections of the city to do challaning to high pollution causing vehicles.
- 4) SE, MC, Patiala to complete the work of construction of parking at various important points within the timeline as given in the action plan.

- 5) PWD and MC, Patiala to complete the work of widening of various roads for decongestion within time frame as mentioned in the Action
- MC, Patiala to replace existing conventional traffic lights with intelligent traffic system within time frame as mentioned in the Action Plan.
- 7) Deptt. of Food and Civil Supplies to check fuel adulteration at petrol pumps and oil carrying tankers and submit monthly report to DC, Patiala as well as to PPCB, Regional Office, Patiala.
- 8) MC, Patiala to carry out regular mechanical sweeping so as to reduce generation of dust emissions Roaster register/ record in this regard be maintained.
- 9) MC, Patiala to submit monthly progress report regarding construction of new compost pits in addition to present so as to control open burning of bio-mass in city. Challaning of violators causing burning of MSW shall be done regularly.
- 10) CAO, Agricultural Deptt. to conduct seminars and awareness programmes among farmers to shun the practice of stubble burning and its ill effects. A meeting regarding stubble burning with all stakeholders in second week of April, 2019 in consultation with PPCB in DC Office, Patiala.
- 11) PPCB shall regularly check the adequacy of air pollution control devices installed by various air polluting industries w.r.t their operation and efficiency and to take action against the violating units.
- MC, Patiala to set up processing/ recycling plant for construction and demolition waste within time frame mentioned in the Action Plan and bring progress report in this regard in the next meeting.
- MC, Patiala, PUDA, PWD (B&R) to plant more trees and create green buffers along the traffic corridors in the areas identified them as mentioned in the Action Plan and to bring progress report in the next meeting.

It was directed to all the concerned Departments to work in coordination to accomplishes the activities related to their Department as per time lines prescribed in the Action Plan for Patiala city as this action plan is going to be submitted in Hon'ble NGT and its monitoring/ progress review will be taken by Hon'ble NGT from time to time.

Deputy Commissioner Patiala

## List of Participants

- 1. Sh. Rajinder Chopra, SE, MC, Patiala
- 2. Sh. Lavneet Kumar, EE, PPCB, Regional Office, Patiala
- 3. Sh. Arvinder Singh, CAO, Department of Agriculture, Patiala.
- 4. Sh. Prithi Singh, DFSO, Department of Food Supply, Patiala
- 5. Sh. Hardeep Singh, DPRO, Patiala
- 6. Sh. Gagandeep Singh, GM, DIC, Patiala
- 7. Sh. Manvir Bajaj, DSP Traffic, SSP Office, Patiala
- 8. Sh. Rakesh Garg, SO, RTA, Patiala