Proceedings of 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of State Apex Committee held under the Chairpersonship of Chief Secretary, Punjab on 27.04.2021 at 04:00 PM to review the progress of Environment Action Plans.

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# The List of Participants attached

# Agenda No. 13.1 In-situ remediation of drains and setting up of STPs in compliance of various NGT Orders in O.A. No. 673/2018 and O.A. No. 593/2017

- (i) The Committee noted the progress for in-situ remediation of drains & timelines for setting up of STPs in compliance of various NGT Orders and penalties imposed thereof.
- (ii) The Principal Secretary, Local Government informed that 100% coverage of STPs has been planned in 163 ULBs and the work on ground on these STPs shall be started after 4 months.
- (iii) The Committee directed Department of Local Government to inform the way forward to start the work of in-situ remediation in 24 ULBs and expedite the approval of DPRs & award of tenders for setting up of STPs.

# Agenda No. 13.2 Monitoring of Existing STPs

- (i) The Committee took serious note of 25 STPs failed only due to F.Coli
- (ii) The Committee directed Principal Secretary, Local Government to improve the chlorination in these STPs to make them compliant.

### Agenda No. 13.3 Setting up of 2 New CETPs for Taxtile Dyeing Units at Ludhiana

(i) The Committee desired that the efforts should be made to expedite the installation of these CETPs by 30.06.21.

# Agenda No. 13.4 Monitoring of Existing CETPs

- (i) The Committee directed PPCB to issue Show Cause Notice to 15 MLD CETP consistently found non-compliant for the last one year that why the Environmental Compensation should not be imposed on it.
- Agenda No. 13.5 Monitoring of Existing ETPs
  - (i) The Committee directed PPCB to take strict action against the non-complying units.

### Agenda No. 13.6 Management of Dairy Waste in Ludhiana & Jalandhar

 The Committee noted the progress and desired that the Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana shall extend full cooperation to PEDA to operate the existing Biogas Plant for Haibowal Dairy Complex Ludhiana to its optimal capacity.

### Agenda No. 13.7 Rejuvenation of Ponds

- (i) The Department of Rural Development & Panchayats informed that out of 15466 ponds, the work on 269 ponds completed and under progress in 783 ponds.
- (ii) The Committee directed DRDP to provide the firm timelines to complete the work in remaining ponds.
- (iii) The Committee also directed Department of Local Government to provide the timelines to complete the work in remaining 153 ponds.

### Agenda No. 13.8 Reuse of Treated Wastewater of STPs

- (i) The Committee noted the progress.
- (ii) The Committee desired that Secretary, STE may take separate meeting with the concerned Departments to review the progress.

### Agenda No. 13.9 Release of 200 cusecs of Water from Sirhind Canal into Budha Nallah

(i) The Committee appreciated the progress made by Department of Water Resources to complete the work by 31.05.2021.

# Agenda No. 13.10 Payment of penalty of Rs. 50 crore to CPCB in compliance of NGT Order dated 14.11.2018 in O.A. No. 916/2018.

- (i) The Secretary, STE informed the Committee that the penalty of Rs. 50 crore has been deposited with CPCB by PPCB on 01.04.2021 along with the Restoration Plan to utilize the said amount within the State.
- (ii) The Committee desired that Secretary, STE may take-up the matter with Chairman, CPCB for the approval of Restoration Plan.

# Agenda No. 13.11 Submission of Performance Bank Guarantee of Rs. 5 crore to CPCB in Compliance of NGT Order dated 08.04.2019 in O.A. No. 673/2018.

- (i) The Secretary, STE informed the Committee that Performance Bank Guarantee of Rs. 5 crore was deposited by PPCB to CPCB on 19.03.2021.
- (ii) The Committee decided that the said agenda item will be dropped in the future meetings.

# Agenda No. 13.12 Installation of Real Time Water Quality Monitoring Stations to Monitor River Water Quality

- (i) The Secretary, STE informed the Committee that all 11 Real Time Water Quality Monitoring Stations have been installed by PPCB.
- (ii) The Committee decided that the said agenda item will be dropped in the future meetings.

### Agenda No. 13.13 Compliance of Rule-22 of Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016

(i) The Committee noted the progress of various activities under SWM Rules, 2016 in compliance of various for NGT Orders and penalties imposed thereof.

# Agenda No. 13.14 Elimination of Single Use Plastic & Implementation of Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016

- (i) The Secretary, STE informed the Committee that MoEF & CC, GoI desired that the State should constitute Special Task Force under chairmanship of Chief Secretary to monitor the elimination of Single Use Plastic & for preparation of comprehensive action plan within one month. Further, the District Level Task Force to be constituted for million plus cities under Commissioner, MC or DC or DM and for Districts other than million plus cities under DM.
- (ii) The Committee decided that this Committee i.e. State Level Special Task Force (now termed as State Apex Committee) constituted vide order dated 14.11.18 by Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Govt. of Punjab shall also monitor the progress for elimination of Single Use Plastic and Implementation of Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016.
- (iii) Further, the Committee decided that the District Environment Committees already notified vide letter dated 31.10.2019 by Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Govt. of Punjab shall also assign the responsibility to monitor the progress in this matter.
- (iv) The Committee desired that the Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Govt. of Punjab may issue the necessary amendment in the orders dated 14.11.18 and notification dated 30.11.2019 with due approval of the competent authority.
- (v) The Committee also decided that the Action Plan already prepared by DECC for management of Plastic Waste shall be forwarded to Department of Local Government and Department of Rural Development & Panchayats for verifying the existing data and to make the necessary changes in the Action Plan in view of MoEF&CC, GoI guidelines for elimination of Single Use Plastic and for implementation of Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016.

### Agenda No. 13.15 Preparation & Submission of District Environment Plans

 The Member Secretary, PPCB informed the Committee that District Environment Plans of Ludhiana & Jalandhar are to be submitted to NGT Monitoring Committee by 30.04.21 and for the remaining Districts by 31.05.21.

# Agenda No. 13.16 Setting up of Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations, carrying out Source Apportionment Studies and Setting up of Public Grievance Redressal Portal etc. in Compliance of NGT order dated 21.08.20 in O.A. No. 681/2018

(i) The Committee noted the progress for procurement of 10 CAAQMS & 3 manual

monitoring stations by 30.09.21, completion of Source Apportionment Studies by 30.06.21 and android based mobile application for public complaints made functional by 30.04.2021.

- (ii) Further the Agency for Noise Mapping to be hired by 30.05.21 and mapping to be completed by 30.09.21.
- (iii) The 20 No. Noise Level Meter to be procured by 31.07.21.

# Agenda No. 13.17 Air Pollution Control in Major Industrial Towns

- (i) The Secretary, STE informed the Committee that 113 induction furnaces out of total 118 have been converted to Side Suction Hood. Further, 50 Rolling Mills in Mandi Gobindgarh out of 683 industrial units have been converted from coal to CNG/PNG.
- (ii) Further, 54 brick kilns out of total 64 converted from Natural Draft to Induced Draft.
- (iii) The Committee noted the progress.

Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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