

Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas

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The Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM), since its inception in 2021, through a series of Directions/ Advisories and Orders, has initiated various policy measures and field actions towards abatement of air pollution in Delhi-NCR.

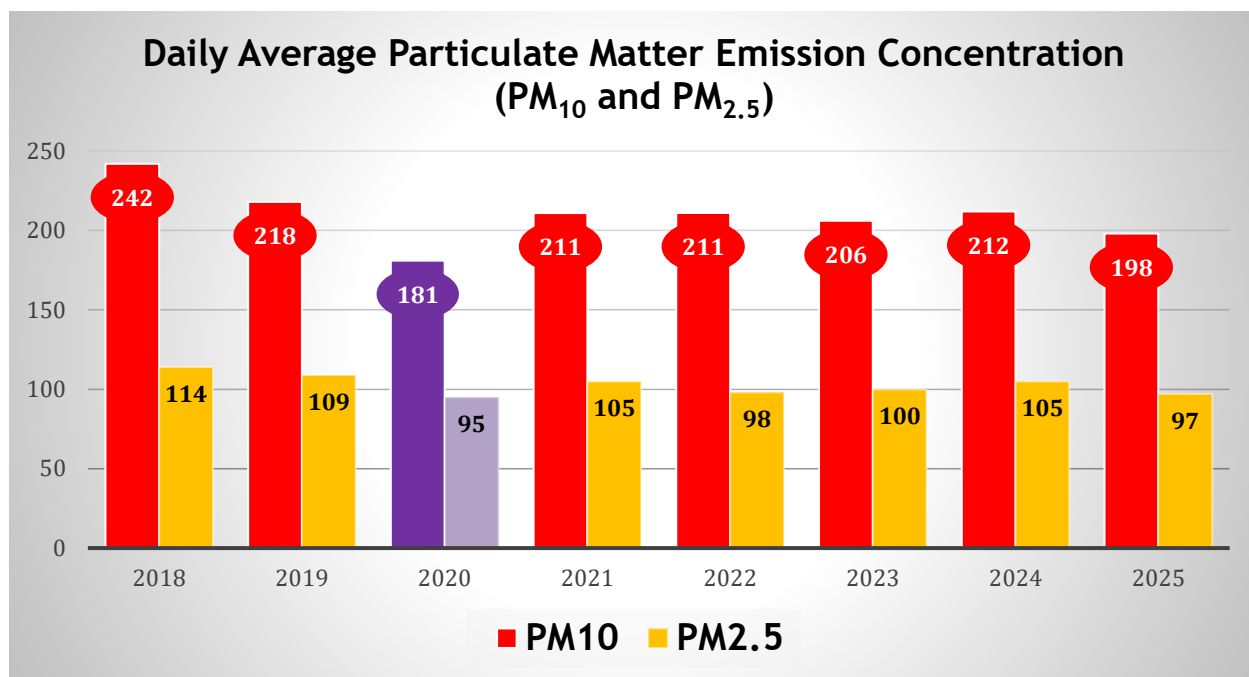
During the period 2018-2025, Delhi recorded its **lowest ever average concentrations of Particulate Matter (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}) in the year 2025**, with annual average PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} concentration at 198 µg/m³ and 97 µg/m³ respectively, barring the COVID-affected year 2020.

Comparative PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} Concentrations

Comparative daily average Particulate Matter emission concentration (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}) values (till 31st December 2025) in Delhi read as under:

Year	Daily avg. PM ₁₀ (µgm/m ³)	Daily avg. PM _{2.5} (µgm/m ³)
2018	242	114
2019	218	109
2020*	181	95
2021	211	105
2022	211	98
2023	206	100
2024	212	105
2025	198	97

* Covid Year



The year 2025 has thus witnessed the lowest ever average values for PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} concentrations, barring the Covid affected year 2020.

With persistent field level efforts and targeted policy initiatives for quantified results in the short/ medium/ long term, it is expected that air quality scenario over Delhi will see further gradual but marked improvement, year on year.
