# Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas

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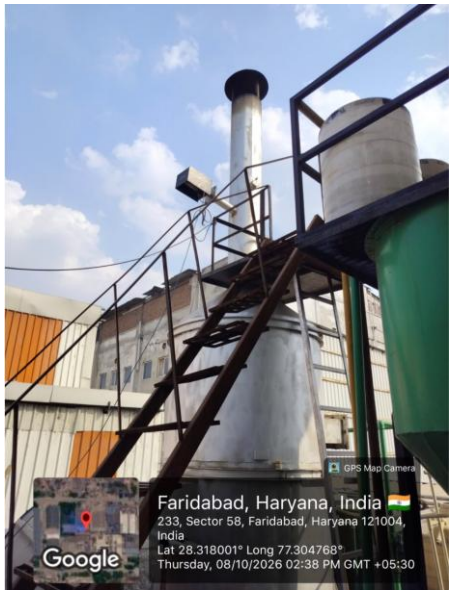
### 141st Meeting of Enforcement Task Force (ETF) reviews enforcement actions, compliance status and inspections across NCR

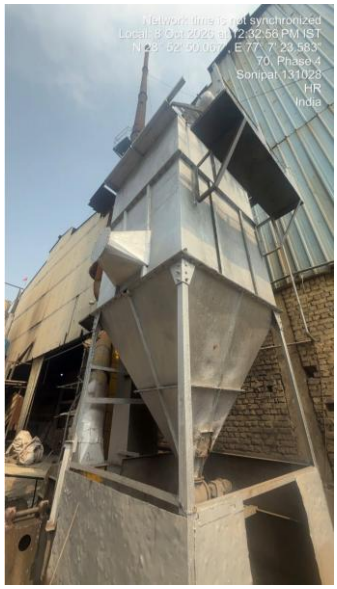
NEW DELHI:

The 141st meeting of the Enforcement Task Force (ETF) of the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) was held on 16.10.2026 to review enforcement actions, inspections and compliance status across the National Capital Region (NCR) for the reporting period from 25.09.2026 to 09.10.2026.

During the 15 days reporting period, a total of 124 inspections were reported, comprising 06 inspections at Construction & Demolition (C&D) sites, 54 inspections in the Industrial Sector and 64 inspections related to Diesel Generator (DG) sets. Based on the inspections, 55 violations were reported, comprising 05 across C&D, 35 across industrial sector and 15 across DG sets.



As per the violations reported by the concerned sectors, various enforcement actions have been proposed. These include closure of 02 C&D projects and 03 industrial units; sealing of 12 units across Industrial and DG sector; issuance of orders/directions for compliance (01 across C&D sector, 05 across Industrial Sector and 01 across DG sector); imposition of Environmental Compensation (EC); and other appropriate follow-up measures, including re-inspection, forwarding of cases to CPCB/SPCBs, issuance of advisories and letters to project proponents/concerned authorities.

The ETF also reviewed the action taken on cases considered in the 140th ETF meeting. The status of various enforcement actions, including closure, sealing of DG sets, issuance of EC letters, advisories, forwarding of cases to CPCB/SPCBs and re-inspection, was reviewed by the Task Force.

The status of resumption orders issued after the previous ETF meeting was also reviewed. As on 15.10.2026, a total of 03 resumption orders had been issued after the last ETF meeting, comprising 03 C&D sites. State-wise, 02 resumption orders were issued in Haryana and 01 in Uttar Pradesh. Further, 03 cases were transferred to the concerned State Pollution Control Boards/ authorities for final decision, comprising 01 industrial case and 02 C&D cases. State-wise 01 case pertaining to Delhi and 02 cases to Haryana.

The updated cumulative enforcement status was also reviewed. It was noted that as on 16.10.2026, the Flying Squads of the Commission have so far carried out inspections at 28,868 units/ projects/ entities across NCR. Based on these inspections, 1,837 Closure Directions have been issued, out of which 1,491 Resumption Orders have been issued after verification of compliance. Further, 130 cases have been transferred to the respective State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) for final decision, while 216 entities remain for issuance of resumption orders.

The ETF also reviewed the status of enforcement orders issued across the concerned sectors. As on 15.10.2026, a total of 34 orders had been issued in the Industrial Sector, 29 in the C&D sector and 27 in respect of DG sets. The status of disposal and processing of these cases, including cases requiring additional information, personal hearing and re-inspection, was also taken note of by the Task Force.

The Commission reiterated that inspections shall continue to focus preferably on Red and Orange category industries, particularly those having furnaces/ boilers. The Flying Squads were advised to strictly adhere to standing instructions regarding verification of complete and accurate addresses before submission of inspection reports, particularly in view of instances of Closure Directions and letters being returned undelivered.

The Commission reiterated the need for continued strengthening of enforcement, timely verification of compliance and close coordination among implementing agencies. The Commission also emphasized expeditious enforcement action, strict compliance monitoring and continued inspections across priority sectors, including Industrial Units, C&D activities and DG sets, to ensure effective mitigation of air pollution across the NCR.

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