

COMMISSION FOR AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT IN NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION  
AND ADJOINING AREAS

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F.No. A-110013/09/2020/CAQM-IP

Date: 15.04.2026

ORDER

**Subject: Relaxation in Standard List of Approved Fuels stipulated under Direction No. 65 dated 23.06.2022, as amended – reg.**

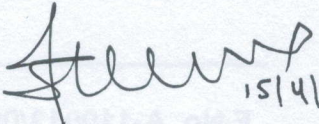
In view of the prevailing extraordinary situation arising due to disruptions in global energy supply, the Commission, vide its Order of even No. dated 13.03.2026 had permitted temporary use of alternate fuels such as High Speed Diesel (HSD), Biomass and RDF (Refuse-Derived Fuel) pellets in place of natural gas by industries/ hotels/ restaurants/ other enterprises in the National Capital Region (including NCT of Delhi) as an interim arrangement for a period of one month. Further, in case of limitation in availability of such alternative fuels, the use of coal/ kerosene was also permitted for the said temporary period.

2. The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India vide its letter No. L-16017/1/2015-GP-I-Part(1) dated 15.04.2026 has communicated to the Commission that disruption in natural gas supply, which commenced in early March 2026 due to geopolitical developments in the Middle East, continues to persist. It has also been stated that as per the Natural Gas (Supply Regulation) Order, 2026 dated 09.03.2026, supply to non-priority sectors, including industrial and commercial PNG consumers has been partially maintained.

3. The Central Pollution Control Board vide its letter No. EQ-11/2/2022-AQM-HO-CPCB-HO/574-613 dated 15.04.2026 has extended its Advisory with respect to permitting temporary use of alternate fuels till 12.05.2026, in continuation with their earlier Advisory No. EQ-11/2/2022-AQM-HO-CPCB-HO/19354-19394 dated 12.03.2026

4. Accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred under the Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas Act, 2021, the

Commission hereby extends the relaxation granted vide its Order of even number dated 13.03.2026 for another one month i.e till 13.05.2026 or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

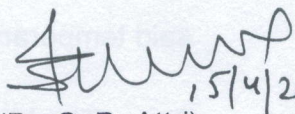
  
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3. Member Secretary, UP State Pollution Control Board
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