



राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र और निकटवर्ती क्षेत्र
वायु गुणवत्ता प्रबंधन आयोग
Commission for Air Quality Management in
National Capital Region and
Adjoining Areas



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ADVISORY FROM THE COMMISSION

To,

The Chairperson,
NDMC / DDA

The Municipal Commissioners
MCD,
Gurugram/ Faridabad/ Ghaziabad/

The CEO,
Noida Authority

Subject: Control and Prevention of Air Pollution from Construction & Demolition activities in the NCR.

It is well aware that dust from construction and demolition activities, amongst others, is a major consistent source of air pollution in the region. Large quantities of dust generated from these activities significantly enhance the PM_{2.5} / PM₁₀ levels in the ambient air.

2. In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 6 and 25 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the MoEFCC notified "Construction & Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016" *inter-alia* elaborating the duties of various agencies concerned. Further, the Central Pollution Control Board had also issued guidelines on dust prevention, control and mitigation measures for construction activities.

3. The Commission, since its inception, has also issued advisories, orders and directions towards mitigation of dust from construction and demolition projects, including statutory directions for remote monitoring of construction and demolition activities in bigger projects through a dedicated Web-portal of each State / NCT of Delhi in the NCR.

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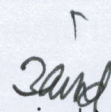
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4. Regular on-site inspections of the C&D project activities are being undertaken by the Flying Squads constituted by the CAQM, besides inspections by the State Pollution Control Boards/ DPCC and other relevant agencies. It is, however, noted during such inspections that a lot is yet to be desired towards effective implementation and compliance of various directions / rules / orders / guidelines by the respective project proponents at their project sites, including during transportation of construction materials/ demolition debris. Accordingly, in the instances of gross violations of the above, the CAQM is compelled to issue closure directions, mandating due preventive and corrective actions to be initiated by such proponents and / or levying of appropriate Environment Compensation charges by the respective State Pollution Control Boards/ DPCC for the reported non-compliances, before permitting to resume C&D activities in such projects.

5. Under the circumstances, to further the cause of abatement of air pollution and towards better / effective compliance of the rules/regulations in this regard, before issuing Completion Certificate/ Occupancy Certificate in respect of all construction projects including residential/ commercial construction projects under your respective jurisdiction in the NCR, it may please be ensured that no "Closure" direction issued by the CAQM is pending against the project in question and in case such a closure direction is pending, no Completion Certificate/ Occupancy Certificate may be issued.


(Arvind Nautiyal)
Member-Secretary

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Member Secretaries – HSPCB, UPPCB and DPCC – to give wide publicity to all State Govt. agencies authorised / empowered to issue OC/CC for ensuring compliance.