

Minutes of the Meeting of Environment Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority for the NCR (EPCA) held on February 15, 2016 (Monday) from 5:00 pm onwards (at the office of 'Centre for Science and Environment', India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi)

Agenda: to discuss the EPCA study on RFID (Radio Frequency Identification), Weigh in motion and bypass routes for Delhi based on the directions given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its orders dated 21.01.2016.

In attendance

1. Dr. Bhure Lal, Chairman, EPCA
2. Ms. Sunita Narain, Member, EPCA
3. Ms. Leena Nanadan, Joint Secretary, MoRTH
4. Mr. B.S. Singla, CGM, NHAI
5. Mr. A.K. Sharma, Project Director, NHAI Ghaziabad
6. Mr. Adheesh Kumar Jain, Project Director, PIU EPE, NHAI
7. Mr. B.B. Jaggi, IE/ NHAI Jaipur
8. Mr. P.K. Kaushik, Manager NHAI Gurgaon
9. Mr. S.K. Mishra, Manager, NHAI Ghaziabad
10. M. Safi, Project Director, CMU, Ghaziabad
11. Mr. Parimal Rai, Secretary cum Commissioner, Transport Department, GNCTD
12. Mr. K.K. Dahiya, Spl. Commissioner, Transport Department, GNCTD
13. Mr. Ankur Garg, Spl. Commissioner, Transport Department, GNCTD
14. Mr. Anand Tiwari, Joint Commissioner, Transport Department, GNCTD
15. Mr. Swapan Kumar, Hardware Asst., IT Dept.
16. Mr. G.S. Meena, Addl. Commissioner, SDMC
17. Mr. Dalip Singh, ADC, Toll Tax, MCD
18. Mr. Joydeep Shoma, Sr. Technical Director, NIC
19. Ankush Tewani, EE, CPCB

M/s I Value Advisors made a presentation before EPCA on the status of bypass routes for diversion of non destined vehicles, proposal for automatic collection of ECC using RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) system and status of installation of Weigh in Motion (WIM) bridges at 3 major entry points to Delhi.

It was observed that bypass routes are available on western side of Delhi in a combination of good and poor conditions but on the eastern side of Delhi there are few important routes whose construction is stalled. List of routes where work is needed to be taken up priority was decided by EPCA in concurrence with all stakeholders and it was decided that this list will be placed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court for issue of directions to concerned authorities to submit time bound action plan for work completion.

The proposal for collection of ECC using RFID system was in principal agreed by both the stakeholders – Transport Department, GNCTD and South Delhi Municipal Corporation. It was decided that the proposal may be presented before the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

The status of installation of WIM at toll collection points of 9 major entry points to Delhi was discussed. NHAI Informed EPCA that WIM is being installed at toll plazas for 6 National Highways (NH-01, NH-10, NH-08, NH-02, NH-91 and NH-24) out of 7 National Highways i.e. except NH 58 and it will be commissioned in 5 cases by April 31, 2015 and in 1 case (NH-24) by March 30, 2015. NHAI will look for options for installation of WIM in case of NH 58 and will report back to EPCA. The remaining two entry points are Yamuna Expressway and SH 57 out of which WIM already installed at Yamuna Expressway and plaza not constructed at SH 57 and the matter needs to be taken up with U.P. Govt.
