## Minutes of the Meeting of Environment Pollution (Prevention &Control) Authority for the NCR (EPCA) held on December 22, 2014 (Tuesday) 11:00 am onwards

(at 'Centre for Science and Environment', India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi)

**Agenda:** i) Preparedness for supply of BS IV emission standards four wheelers and roadmap for BS V and BS VI four wheelers.

ii) Introduction of BS IV two wheelers and preparation for implementation of BS IV standards.

## In attendance:

- 1. Dr. Bhure Lal, Chairman, EPCA
- 2. Ms. Sunita Narain, Member, EPCA
- 3. Mr. Abhay Damle, Jt. Secretary, MoRTH
- 4. Mrs. Perin Devi, Director, Mopng
- 5. Mr. Anand Tiwari, Jt. Commissioner, Transport Dept., GNCTD
- 6. Mr. K. Srinivas, ARAI
- 7. Mr. Mathew, CO-chair, Enc SIAM
- 8. Mr. Harjeet Singh, V.P. (GRT), HMCL
- 9. Mr. S. Ravishankar, Executive Advisor
- 10. Ms. Novika Sood, SIAM
- 11. Mr. B. Vishwanath, TVS
- 12. Mr. S. Lengsfeld, GM, Bosch Ltd.
- 13. Mr. S. Sakthivelan, Head Govt. Affairs, Bosch Ltd.
- 14. Mr. Atanu Ganguli, SIAM
- 15. Mr. I.V. Rao, Ex-advisor, MSIL
- 16. Mr. C.V. Raman, Ex-director, MSIL
- 17. Mr. Anoop Bhat, GM, MSIL
- 18. Ankush Tewani, EE, CPCB

EPCA convened this meeting to discuss the preparedness of vehicle manufacturers to supply BS IV compliant vehicles. The discussions of the meeting are as follows:

- 1. Vehicle manufacturers and ARAI informed EPCA that all manufacturers including Volvo Eicher (which had not taken type approval at the time of the last meeting of EPCA on this matter) have obtained type approval for cars, buses and trucks for BS IV compliant vehicles.
- 2. Director, MoPNG informed EPCA that 75% of the fuel supply/sale in the country would be BS IV fuel by April 01, 2016. The remaining 25% sale would be in remote areas such as Leh, Ladakh and bordering districts of Rajasthan and Uttarakhand, where the major fuel requirement would be of army and defense vehicles.
- 3. Director, MoPNG informed EPCA that BS VI fuel supply would be made available in the entire country by April 2020.
- 4. SIAM representatives informed EPCA that auto industry is of the view that given the need for research and development to make technology available for Indian conditions, the feasible roadmap for introduction of of BS V and BS VI vehicle emission standards is 2019 and 2023 respectively.

- 5. SIAM representative said that they have requirement of EURO VI fuel for experimentation and R&D purposes related to production of BS VI complaint vehicles. Director, MoPNG and JS, MoRTH assured that this would not be an issue if requisite paperwork is given.
- 6. SIAM made a presentation to EPCA, which showed that without measures to scrap old vehicles pollution would not be reduced. They suggested a car-replacement policy to combat pollution. EPCA made it clear that it would not be favour of such a policy, unless the vehicles being replaced were of much higher emission standard.
- 7. Two-wheeler manufacturer representatives informed EPCA that they are working hard to meet BS IV compliant vehicle supply deadline between April 1, 2016 to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2017 and will give EPCA a detailed roadmap of the introduction of these vehicles.

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