

**ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION (PREVENTION & CONTROL) AUTHORITY  
for the National Capital Region**

**Dr. Bhure Lal  
Chairman**

**EPCA-R/2019/L-55  
November 08, 2019**

**Urgent directions regarding GRAP**

Dear Sir,

This is further to my urgent direction of November 4, 2019, regarding the measures that needed to be taken to combat the air emergency situation in Delhi-NCR.

The CPCB led task force has reviewed the weather conditions that are likely to prevail over the region and it is their assessment that the air quality will not improve in the next 48 hours and we may even see a possible decline. Given this situation, Task Force has recommended that the current measures/bans imposed should continue till Monday, November 11, 2019.

Given the above situation, EPCA is directing the following:

1. **Hot mix plants, stone crushers to be closed till November 11, 2019 in all NCR districts.**
2. **All coal and other fuel based industries, which have not shifted to natural gas or agro-residue (with exemption to power-plants) to remain closed in Faridabad, Gurugram, Ghaziabad, Noida, Greater Noida, Sonapat, Panipat, Bahadurgarh and Bhiwadi till November 11, 2019. In Delhi industries, which have not yet shifted to PNG to remain closed during till November 11, 2019.**
3. **Cracker burning is completely banned for this entire winter period.**

The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its hearing held on 4.11.2019, has banned **Construction activities in Delhi-NCR till further orders.**

Please note, as stated before, these measures are in addition to the directions already issued, which we had listed for your easy reference and action in our direction of November 1, 2019.

Please ensure compliance with the above directions.

Yours faithfully

  
**Dr. Bhure Lal,  
Chairman, EPCA**

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