DELHI POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE

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Sub: Direction under section 31 (A) of Air (Pollution and Control of Pollution) Act 1981 read with Rule 20A(6) of the Air (Pollution and Control of Pollution) (Union Territories) Rules, Act 1983.

Whereas, Central Pollution Control Board is the State Board for all the Union Territories to exercise powers and performs functions under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act,1981.

And whereas, Central Pollution Control Board has delegated all its powers and functions underAir (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 in respect of NCT of Delhi to Delhi Pollution Control Committee vide Notification No. S.O. 198(E) dated 15.03.1991.

And whereas, whole of union territory of Delhi has been declared as air pollution control area vide Notification No. GSR 106(E) dated 20.02.1987 under sub-section (1) of section 19 of thesaid Air Act, 1981.

And whereas, Delhi is facing severe ambient air pollution levels since the last few days and levelof pollutants like particulate ($PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}) has gone up multifold. Activities related to construction and demolition have been identified as major sources of air pollution and continuation of such activity may aggravate the situation.

And whereas, as per section 17 (1) (a) of Air Act, 1981, Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) is to plan a comprehensive program for the prevention, control and abatement of air pollution and to secure execution thereof.

And whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in various orders has directed to initiate steps tocurb the dust during construction and demolition activities.

And whereas, in pursuant to the order dated 02.12.2016 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India inthe matter of M.C.Mehta Vs Union of India & others regarding air quality, Graded ResponseAction Plan (GRAP) has been notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & ClimateChange, Govt. of India on 12.01.2017 for implementation through Environment Pollution(Prevention and Control) Authority (EPCA).

And whereas, on the basis of the recommendations of the Task Force, EPCA has issued various directions to the Govt of NCT of Delhi to control air pollution vide letter dated 04.11.2019, keeping in view of the deteriorating ambient air quality.

And whereas, the EPCA, wide above mention direction dated November 04, 2019 has notified that the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its hearing held on 04.11.2019, has banned **Construction activities in Delhi-NCR till further orders.**

Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 31(A) of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 read with Rule 20A (6) of the Air Rules, 1983, it is directed that construction activities in Delhi are hereby banned till further orders.

All the Land owning agencies, Construction Agencies and Local Bodies are hereby directed to take necessary steps to comply with the above directions and submit daily Action Taken Report (ATR) to "DPCC" on Email id msdpcc2019@gmail.com.

In case of non-compliance, action as per the provisions contained in Section 37 of the Air Act, 1981 shall be initiated against the defaulters.

This issues with the approval of Chairman, DPCC.

(Arun Mishra)
Member Secretary

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13. Chairman, NHAI, Dwarka, Delhi
14. Chief Managing Director, NBCC, NBCC Bhawan, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
15. Divisional Commissioner, 5 Shamnath Marg, Delhi, to direct District Magistrates to enforce the ban.

(Arun Mishra)
Member Secretary

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