Subject: Directions under section 31 (A) of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, read with Rule 20 (A) (6) of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) (Union Territories) Rules, 1983, to stop entry of trucks traffic into Delhi, ban on plying of Delhi registered diesel operated MGVs, HGVs & LMVs, closing down of industries and ban on C&D activities in linear projects with immediate effect in Delhi.

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 under Air (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, the whole Union Territory of Delhi has been declared as an Air Pollution Control area, under sub section (1) of section 19 of the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 vide notification no. GSR 106 (E) dated 20.02.1987.

And whereas, Delhi faces grave air pollution particularly in winter season and level of pollutants like Particulate Matter Concentration (PM2.5 and PM10) goes much beyond the prescribed standards for Ambient Air Quality.

And whereas, the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and adjoining areas has repeatedly taken up the matter relating to air pollution with Government of NCT of Delhi and various organizations and has issued various Directions, Advisories and Orders for effective implementation of measures for abating air pollution in NCR from time to time.

And whereas, Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) issued revised Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), vide directions dated 05.08.2022.
And whereas, keeping in view the deteriorating ambient air quality of the city during the past few days, Stage IV Severe+ (AQI > 450) category has already been invoked today with immediate effect i.e. 3rd November, 2022 in Delhi as per Direction No. 66: Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) of Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas (CAQM).

And whereas, as per the forecast the AQI in Delhi is likely to be in 'Severe+/Severe' category in next couple of days owing to calm wind and stable atmospheric conditions.

And whereas, in addition to direction no. DPCC/CAQM/ 2022/1457-1468 issued vide date 29.10.2022, following directions shall also be enforced with immediate effect as also specified under Stage-IV of Direction No. 66: Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) of Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas (CAQM):

i. Stop entry of truck traffic into Delhi (except for trucks carrying essential commodities/ providing essential services and all CNG / electric trucks).

ii. Ban on plying of Delhi registered diesel operated Medium Goods Vehicles (MGV) and Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV) in Delhi, except those carrying essential commodities / providing essential services.

iii. Ban on plying of 4-wheeler diesel LMVs in NCT of Delhi, except for BS-VI vehicles and vehicles used for essential / emergency services.

iv. Close down all industries in Delhi, even in areas where PNG infrastructure and supply is not available, which are running on fuels other than the fuels as per the Standard list of approved fuels for all applications in the entire NCR.

    Note: Industries like milk & dairy units and those involved in manufacturing of life saving medical equipment / devices, drugs and medicines shall however be exempted from the above restrictions.

v. Ban C&D activities in linear public projects such as highways, roads, flyovers, over bridges, power transmission, pipelines etc.

Now, therefore, in view of the above and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 31(A) of Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, read with Rule 20 (A) (6) of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) (Union Territories) Rules, 1983, and keeping in view the need in public interest to curb severe air pollution in Delhi, Delhi Pollution Control Committee hereby directs strict implementation and enforcement of the above said directions, except for exempted categories/services, without any default and demur, with immediate effect.

Compliance of the above direction shall be emailed at msdpcc@nic.in and greenwarroom@gmail.com during the GRAP period without fail.

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The violation of the directions issued under Section 31(A) of the Air Act, 1981 shall be punishable under Section 37 of the said Act which includes imprisonment upto Six years and fine.

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Member Secretary, DPCC

To,

1. Vice Chairman, DDA, Vikas Sadan, INA, New Delhi
2. Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Delhi, Dr. SPM, Civic Centre, Minto Road, Delhi.
3. Chairman, National Highway Authority of India G-5&6, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-110075.
4. Director General, CPWD, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Commissioner, Delhi Police
6. Commissioner, Department of Transport, GNCTD
7. Divisional Commissioner, Department of Revenue, GNCTD
8. CEO, Delhi Jal Board
9. Managing Director, National Building Construction Corporation (India) Ltd.,
10. Spl Commissioner, Delhi Traffic Police
11. Secretary, PWD, GNCTD
12. Secretary, IFC&D, GNCTD
13. Managing Director, Delhi State Industrial & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd.
14. Managing Director, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation.
15. Secretary, New Delhi Municipal Council.
16. CEO, Delhi Cantonment Board

Copy To:

1. Member Secretary, Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas, STC Building, New Delhi.
2. S.O. to Chief Secretary, GNCTD
3. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister, Environment, GNCTD
4. PPS to Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, GNCTD
5. In-Charges, All Cells, Delhi Pollution Control Committee for necessary actions.