

POLLUTION CONTROL AT SOURCE

13 hotspots has been identified in Delhi namely Narela, Bawana, Mundka, Wazirpur, Rohini, R.K. Puram, Okhla, Jahangirpuri, Anand Vihar, Vivek Vihar, Punjabi Bagh, Mayapuri, Dwarka, in consultation with EPCA and CPCB as the said spots have higher air pollution levels in comparison to other areas.

The hotspots have been identified depending upon the annual average of PM₁₀ exceeding 300 µg/m³ and for PM_{2.5} more than 100 µg/m³. This is based on data of the nearby located (in radius of 2km) continuous air quality monitoring stations established by DPCC.

Specific action plans have been drawn up for identifying and mitigating the local sources of air pollution so that there is immediate impact on the improvement in the air quality around these hotspots. The Dy. Commissioners of MCD Zones have been made responsible as Nodal Officers for the execution of the action plan(s) and the officers from other concerned department/ agencies have been made members of the execution team on ground so as to ensure effective coordinated action.

At present emphasis is being taken on implementation of following action points in the short term action plan:

- Identification of plastic & garbage dump and its removal
- Identification and removal of Malba / C&D waste
- Identification and repair of road patches and pot holes
- De-congestion of congested traffic points
- Mechanical road sweeping
- Water sprinkling of roads
- Closure of polluting & unauthorized industries
- Night patrolling to check violations with respect to Bio-mass burning, C&D waste dumping etc.
- Greenery developed