

Delhiites will not get fuel without a valid pollution certificate from 25 October. Details here

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The Arvind Kejriwal-led Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) government in national capital Delhi has said that petrol and diesel will not be provided to consumers who cannot produce a Pollution Under Control (PUC) certificate. The decision was announced by Delhi environment minister Gopal Rai.

Minister Rai further mentioned that the Delhi government aims to curb vehicular pollution in city. The directive comes into effect on 25 October 2022.

The decision was taken at a meeting of officials from environment, transport and traffic departments on 29 September during which modalities and implementation of the plan were discussed, Rai said.

"Vehicular emission is one of the key contributors to rising pollution in Delhi. It is imperative to reduce it so it has been decided that from October 25, petrol, diesel will not be provided at petrol pumps without PUC certificate of the vehicle," Rai said in a press conference here.

According to the Delhi Transport Department, over 17 lakh vehicles, including 13 lakh two-wheelers and three lakh cars, were plying without valid PUC certificates till July 2022.

If caught without a valid PUC certificate, vehicle owners may face imprisonment up to six months or fine up to ₹10,000 or both as per the Motor Vehicles Act.

How to get a PUC certificate for your vehicle?

Under the Central Motor Vehicles Rule 1989, the government of India has mandated the PUC (Pollution Under Control) certificate. Hence, similar to a registration certificate, driving license, and motor insurance policy, this certificate is now mandatory to carry for all Indian drivers.

Offline:

-First you need to take your vehicle to your nearest emission test centre, or licensed auto emission testing centres with a computerised facility.

-You need to get the exhaust pipe checked in order to analyse the emission level.

-Pay the fee and then get the PUC certificate

Online:

-Visit www.parivahan.gov.in, the official website of the Ministry of Transport and Highways, Government of India.

-Navigate to the Parivahan section and enter the last 5 digits of your vehicle's Chassis number as well as the vehicle registration number.

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-Select "PUC Details."

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