

## **CAQM Holds Review Meeting to Take Stock of the Implementation of Stage III of GRAP in Delhi NCR**

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CAQM held a meeting with implementing agencies/ bodies of the NCR Districts of Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh today in continuation of yesterday's review meeting with Delhi to take stock of the status of implementation of Stage III of the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) in the entire National Capital Region in addition to actions under Stage I and Stage II, . These NCR Districts were further reiterated to enhance the implementation of Stage I, II & III under GRAP with stringent actions including heavy penalties against gross defaulters flouting the Statutory Directions of the Commission.

The review meeting was primarily focused on enhancement of water sprinklers including use of fire tenders, round-the-clock mechanical sweeping of roads, augmentation and increased utilisation of smog guns at Construction & Demolition (C&D) sites, effective waste management, improved vigilance against waste burning and strict penal actions, ensuring use of only approved cleaner fuels in industries, enforcing ban on mining activities, issuance of challans against vehicles not running with PUC, stringent actions against dust generating activities, drive against the use of coal in tandoors, etc.

“A positive impact and improvement is likely to be seen in the air quality of NCR in the coming days because of effective steps and stringent actions taken under GRAP”, said Dr. VK Soni, Member of the GRAP Sub-Committee .