

GUJARAT POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
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CIRCULAR

Sub: Control of Emissions from in-use DG Sets by installing Retrofitted Emission Control Device (RECD) or shifting to gas based generator in the non-attainment cities in Gujarat.

Whereas, the Government of India has launched the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in 2019 for reduction of ambient air pollution, wherein emissions from diesel generator (DG) sets have been identified as one of the major sources of air pollution in Indian cities and States;

Whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) vide order dated 06.08.2019 in O.A. 681/2018(PB) has directed that emissions from in-use DG Sets shall be effectively controlled through suitable emission reduction measures including retrofitting of emission control devices;

Whereas, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has notified procedures for certification and testing of Retrofit Emission Control Devices (RECDs) on 28.03.2023 and has advised all State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs) to implement appropriate emission control measures for in-use DG Sets;

Whereas, the Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) had earlier issued Circular No. GPCB/Air Action Plan-09/757115 dated 26.10.2023 directing all industries and establishments operating DG Sets of capacity 125 KVA and above in the State of Gujarat to comply with emission control requirements.

Whereas, the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) has issued direction No. 76 dated 29.09.2023 as amended on 22.02.2024, prescribing regulated operation of DG Sets by adoption of RECDs and cleaner technologies in the entire NCR, by adopting appropriate emission control measures such as retrofitting Emission Control Devices (ECDs)/dual fuel systems/shifting to gensets compliant to GSR 804(E) for D. G. Sets, etc. as stipulated therein.

Whereas, the CPCB has recommended vide its letter dated 22.03.2024 that SPCBs/PCCs may also consider taking similar measures for control of ambient air pollution from DG Set emissions in non-attainment cities, such as (i) use of certified RECDs from approved manufacturers for in-use DG Sets and (ii) adoption of any suitable Air Pollution Control Device (APCD) for DG Sets of more than 800 KW, strictly subject to compliance of emission standards;

In light of above and in continuation of the GPCB's circular dated 26.10.2023, all industrial, commercial, residential and office establishments, etc., operating DG Sets in the non-attainment cities in Gujarat are hereby directed to comply with the recommendations of the CPCB's letters dated 22.03.2024 for implementation of the CAQM's direction No. 76 dated 29.09.2023 as amended on 22.02.2024 (copies enclosed).

(Dipali Tank)
Member Secretary

Encl: As above.

No: GPCB/PUR/e-file/128/2026/0390/Legal/3/2026

Date: as per E-sign

To,

All industrial, commercial, residential and office establishments, etc. operating DG Sets in the non-attainment cities in Gujarat.

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