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CAQM reviews Enforcement Actions, Compliance Status and Sector-specific Inspections across NCR in 138th Meeting of its Enforcement Task Force

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The 138th meeting of the Enforcement Task Force (ETF) of the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) was held on 31.08.2026 to review enforcement actions, inspections and compliance status across the National Capital Region (NCR) for the reporting period from 08.08.2026 to 23.08.2026.

During the reporting period of 16 days, a total of 121 inspections were carried out by the Flying Squads deployed by the Commission, covering key sectors including 10 inspections across Construction & Demolition (C&D) sites, 56 inspections across the Industrial Sector and 20 inspections related to Diesel Generator (DG) sets.

Based on the inspection reports received for reported violations, closure of 4 projects/ industries (C&D sites), sealing of 17 DG sets, issuance of 7 orders/ directions for compliance and imposition of Environmental Compensation (EC) in 5 cases have been proposed.

The Enforcement Task Force also reviewed the status of compliance with the decisions taken during the 137th ETF meeting and noted that all actionable cases pertaining to the Industrial Sector, C&D Sector and DG sets have been acted upon. Further, 9 resumption orders have been issued after verification of compliance, comprising 2 Industrial Units and 7 C&D projects. State-wise, 1 resumption order has been issued in Delhi, 6 in Haryana and 2 in Uttar Pradesh.

Further, the updated cumulative enforcement status as on 31.08.2026 was reviewed. It was noted that the Flying Squads of the Commission have so far carried out inspections at 28,397 units/ projects/ entities across NCR. Based on these inspections, 1,823 Closure Directions have been issued, out of which 1,473 Resumption Orders have been issued after verification of compliance. Further, 126 cases have been transferred to the respective State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) for final decision, while 224 entities remain under examination for issuance of resumption orders.

The Commission reiterated the need for strengthening enforcement, ensuring timely compliance verification and enhancing coordination among implementing agencies for effective implementation of the prescribed norms. The Commission also emphasized continued focus on expeditious

enforcement actions, strict compliance monitoring and active inspections across priority sectors including Industrial Units, C&D activities, DG sets and road works to ensure effective mitigation of air pollution across the NCR.

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