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Dated the 5th July, 2026

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ORDER

No. 507/PA/DG/EPA/2026

SUBJECT: PRE-SMOG ACTION PLAN 2026 (JULY – SEPT, 2026)

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 6(1)(t), read with Section 5(4) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997, I, Dr. Imran Hamid Sheikh, PAS, Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab, hereby notify the Pre-Smog Action Plan 2026 for immediate implementation throughout the Province to ensure timely preparedness, prevention and mitigation of smog during the upcoming smog season.

I - Planning, Coordination & Institutional Preparedness

Sr.	Key Action	Responsibility	Timeline
1.	Overall supervision and monitoring of anti-smog operations across Punjab through the Drone Squad, including identification of pollution-causing activities and ensuring their timely elimination and rectification in coordination with the concerned field formations.	ADG (Operations)	Continued
2.	Conduct Provincial Pre-Smog Coordination Meetings with all stakeholder departments	ADG (Ops)	Till 30th July
3.	Evaluate previous year's anti-smog interventions and prepare sector-wise improvement strategy	Incharge SAW	30 th July
4.	Finalize the Provincial Air Quality Report for the period from 1st January to 30th June, 2026, including analysis of criteria pollutants against the Punjab Environmental Quality Standards (PEQS) and district-wise pollution rankings.	Director EMC	15 th July
5.	Review implementation gaps of 10 Hotspot Zones PC-I and finalize corrective measures	Director (Development)	15 th July

6.	EPA Directors to do continuous monitoring and field supervision of their assigned Divisions	All Directors EPA Punjab	15 th July
7.	Activation of District Anti-Smog Committees	i. Deputy Commissioners ii. DDs (Field) / ADs (Field)	15 th July
8.	Obtain focal persons from Transport, Agriculture, Local Government, Health, Traffic Police, Industries, PSCA, C&W, LDA, RUDA and other departments for Punjab Climate Watch	Incharge SAW	25th July
9.	Hold weekly provincial preparedness review meetings	DG EPA / ADG (Operations)	Weekly

II - Resource Mobilization & Technical Preparedness

Sr.	Key Action	Responsibility	Timeline
10.	Technical Assessment of all vehicles, fog cannons, water bowzers (Quick Response Units), gadgets, drones, vehicles emission testing equipment and fixation of any gaps	ADG (Operations)	15 th August
11.	Calibrate and inspect all Air Quality Monitoring Stations	Director EMC	30 th August
12.	Assess Emission Testing Stations (ETS) and prepare updated provincial deployment plan	Incharge SAW	30 th July
13.	Deployment Strategy for Quick Response Units (QRUs) for upcoming harvesting season based on lessons learned in previous harvesting season	ADG (Operations)	15th August
14.	Coordinate with SP&IU for timely purchase of drones under EPF PC-I for deployment with Zonal Monitoring Squads	Director (Development)	-

III - Inspection and Enforcement of Major Pollution Sources

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15.	Issue pre-smog notices under PEPA, 1997 and Smog Rules to industries and brick kilns (as per specimen vetted by Legal Wing of EPA)	All DDs / ADs (Field)	Till 15 th August
16.	Verify Emission Control Systems (ECS), CCTV connectivity, approved fuel and stack emissions in industrial units and incinerators	All DDs / ADs (Field)	15 th August
17.	Conduct scanning survey of all brick kilns for Zigzag compliance and Unique ID verification	All DDs / ADs (Field)	15 th August
18.	Inspect stone crushers for dust suppression systems and environmental compliance	All DDs / ADs (Field)	15 th August
19.	Ensure Suction Hoods in restaurants with open kitchens and BBQ outlets	All DDs / ADs (Field)	30 th July
20.	Scanning of districts for Pyrolysis Plants and carbon black bags and subsequent action by concerned Field Officer	i. ADG (Ops) ii. Drone Surveillance Squad iii. All DDs / ADs (Field)	30 th of each month
21.	Visit of under construction sites to ensure compliance with SOPs	All DDs / ADs (Field)	Continuous

IV - Transport & Fuel Quality Management

Sr.	Key Action	Responsibility	Timeline
22.	Inspect Fuel Stations with Mobile Fuel Testing Labs	DD EPA Lab Lahore, Multan & Rawalpindi	Continuous
23.	Ensure Sand / Clay Trolleys are properly covered as per the EPA SOPs	Traffic Police / PSCA	Continuous
24.	Issue Direction Slips to Heavy Transport Vehicles (HTVs) identified emitting black smoke through PSCA camera surveillance.	Incharge SAW	Continuous

V - Monitoring, Surveillance & Reporting

Sr.	Key Action	Responsibility	Timeline
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25.	Conduct weekly surveillance of industrial clusters and hotspot zones through drones	Incharge Drone Squad / AD (GIS)	Weekly
26.	Take action on violations reported by Drone Squads through Internal Accountability Dashboard (IAD)	All DDs / ADs (Field)	Continuous

VI - Public Awareness & Stakeholder Engagement

Sr.	Key Action	Responsibility	Timeline
27.	Conduct meetings with industrial associations, brick kiln owners and trade bodies	ADG (Operations)	July–August
28.	Launch province-wide awareness campaign through print, electronic and social media	PRO / Strategic Communication Cell	Continuous
29.	Conduct awareness sessions in schools, colleges and universities	All DDs / ADs (Field)	August–September

VII - Public Health Preparedness

Sr.	Key Action	Responsibility	Timeline
30.	Issue regular AQI bulletins and public health advisories	Director EMC	Continuous
31.	Coordinate with Health Department regarding hospital preparedness and vulnerable groups	Dir (EDH) EPA / Health Department	Continuous
32.	Disseminate public guidance regarding masks, outdoor activities and school precautions during severe AQI episodes	Dir (EMC) EPA / Education Departments	Continuous

2. All concerned officers and field formations shall ensure the effective implementation of the Pre-Smog Action Plan 2026 in letter and spirit. Progress against the assigned actions shall be monitored regularly through the prescribed reporting and monitoring mechanisms.

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