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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
NATIONAL HOCKEY STADIUM, LAHORE



Dated: 03.11.2025

Subject: CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE FOR INDUSTRIAL INSPECTIONS AND POINTATION OF SUB-STANDARD FUELS IN LAHORE

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab, is committed to prevent pollution-causing activities, implement effective mitigation measures, and ensuring sustainable development across the province;

2. **AND WHEREAS**, the ambient air quality of Lahore has deteriorated in recent days, with Air Quality Index (AQI) levels persistently recorded in the hazardous range, aggravating environmental and health concerns across the city;

3. **AND WHEREAS**, it has been observed in recent past that many industrial units of Lahore are using illegal, sub-standard fuel of tyre carbon and pyro oil resulting into excessive carbon emissions in Lahore District; contributing significantly to the prevailing smog and fine particulate pollution (PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀);

4. **AND WHEREAS**, Under Rule 5(c) of the Punjab Environmental Protection (Smog Prevention and Control) Rules, 2023, use of sub-standard fuels is not allowed in industrial units. Hence, there is a dire need to establish a system of strict surveillance and monitoring of sub-standard fuels so that those may not be used at all in industrial processes;

5. **AND WHEREAS**, Section 6(1)(i) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act 1997 further empowers the Agency to establish systems and procedures for surveys, surveillance, monitoring, measurement, examination, investigation, research, inspection, and audit to prevent and control pollution, and to estimate the costs of cleaning up pollution and rehabilitating the environment in various sectors;

6. **NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Dr. Imran Hamid Sheikh, PAS, Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Section 5(4) and 6(1)(i) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act 1997, do hereby constitute a committee to conduct an immediate and detailed inspection of all industrial units, particularly those having boilers and furnaces, identify the hidden, illegal carbon bags, so that those may be confiscated and violators may be prosecuted as per law;

Sr. No.	Name / Designation	Department / Office	Role in Committee
i.	Mr. Mudassar Nawaz, ADC (F&P) Lahore	Office of Deputy Commissioner, Lahore	Chairman
ii.	Dr. Shazia Parvez, Director (EDH)	Environment Protection Agency (EPA) Punjab	Member
iii.	Deputy Director (Env./Tech.) Lahore	EPA Punjab	Member / Secretary
iv.	Assistant Director (Legal), to be nominated by the Director (Legal), EPA	Environment Protection Agency (EPA) Punjab	Member

The Committee shall submit its report **within seven (07) days**, positively.

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DR. IMRAN HAMID SHEIKH (PAS)
DIRECTOR GENERAL
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
PUNJAB

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1. The Secretary, Environment Protection and Climate Change Department, Punjab
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Lahore
3. The ADC (F&P), Lahore
4. The Director (EDH) EPA Punjab
5. The Director (Legal), EPA Punjab with the direction to nominate an Assistant Director (Legal) for this committee and communicate the same to Secretary of the committee
6. The Deputy Director (Env./Tech.), EPA Punjab, Lahore
7. The Deputy Director, Strategy and Analysis Wing (SAW), EPA Punjab.
8. The Secretary, Judicial Water & Environmental Commission, Lahore
9. PA to Director General EPA, Punjab

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