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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
GREEN BUILDING, GULBERG LAHORE
Dated: 31/12/2025



NOTIFICATION

Subject: **ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CENTER FOR KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE & POLICY DIALOGUE IN EPA PUNJAB**

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5(4) and 6(1)(a) read with other relevant enabling provisions of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997, a Knowledge Hub is hereby established in EPA Punjab to be known as:

“Center for Knowledge Exchange & Policy Dialogue (CKE & PD)”

2. This Center shall assist the Director General in efficient performance of the following statutory functions duly assigned under the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997:

- i. prepare, in coordination with the appropriate Government Agency and in consultation with the concerned sectoral Advisory Committees, environmental policies for approval by the Council - **Sec.6(1)(b)**
- ii. prepare and publish an annual Punjab Environmental Report on the state of the environment - **Sec.6(1)(d)**
- iii. co-ordinate environmental policies and programmes nationally - **Sec.6(1)(h)**
- iv. take measures to promote research and the development of science and technology which may contribute to the prevention of pollution, protection of the environment, and sustainable development - **Sec.6(1)(j)**
- v. render advice and assistance in environmental matters, including such information and data available with it as may be required for carrying out the purposes of this Act - **Sec.6(1)(m)**
- vi. provide information and guidance to the public on environmental matters - **Sec.6(1)(o)**
- vii. recommend environmental courses, topics, literature and books for incorporation in the curricula and syllabi of educational institutions - **Sec.6(1)(p)**
- viii. promote public education and awareness of environmental issues through mass media and other means, including seminars and workshops- **Sec.6(1)(q)**
- ix. encourage the formation and working of non-governmental organizations, community organizations and village organizations to prevent and control pollution and promote sustainable development - **Sec.6(1)(s)**

In addition to its statutory functions, the Center shall also undertake the following assignments:

- a. Conduct overall capacity building trainings for all the ranks of EPA Punjab, including promotion-linked trainings for BS-01 to BS-15;

- b. Organize national and international workshops, seminars and policy dialogues to promote knowledge-sharing and stakeholders' engagement;
 - c. Develop collaborations with academic institutions, training academies and research organizations at national level for research, policy development and innovation;
 - d. Maintain a centralized repository of environmental data, research, case studies and best practices accessible to policymakers, researchers and the public in accordance with applicable laws.
 - e. To provide a platform for researchers to share their findings, convert those into actionable documents for assistance of policy makers
 - f. To serve as think tank of EPA Punjab
2. The Coordinator of the Center shall maintain close liaison with the In-Charge Strategy and Analysis Wing and the Librarian of EPA Punjab for data sharing and policy support.

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