



No. 390/PA/DG/EPA/2025
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
NATIONAL HOCKEY STADIUM FERROZEPUR ROAD, LAHORE
Dated: 27/10/2025



Subject: **ORDER UNDER SECTION 15(2) OF THE PUNJAB ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT, 1997 REGARDING COMPULSORY TESTING OF VEHICULAR EMISSIONS OF MOTOR CARS / LTVs**

ORDER

WHEREAS, vehicular emissions constitute a significant source of environmental pollution, particularly in urban areas, and addressing such emissions is imperative for ensuring compliance with the Punjab Environmental Quality Standards (PEQS) notified under the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997;

2. **AND WHEREAS**, Emissions Testing System (ETS) for LTVs / Motor Cars is a duly established system operating under the ambit of Environmental Protection Agency, Government of the Punjab, based on scientific and standardized methods for conducting Emissions Tests of LTVs / Motor cars

3. **AND WHEREAS**, the Environment Protection Agency (EPA), Punjab is mandated under Section 6 and Section 15 of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997 to monitor and enforce environmental standards, including vehicular emissions, and to issue appropriate directions for compliance with such standards;

4. **AND WHEREAS**, Section 15(2) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997 empowers the Environmental Protection Agency to issue direction to any motor vehicle or class of vehicles to install such pollution control devices or other equipment or use such fuels or undergo such maintenance or testing as may be prescribed;

5. **AND WHEREAS**, Rule 2 (e) of the Punjab Environmental Protection (Motor Vehicles) Rules 2013 prescribes the format on which the said directions may be issued by the Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab to the owner of a motor vehicle under the Act ibid to install such pollution control devices or other equipment or use such fuels or undergo such maintenance or testing;

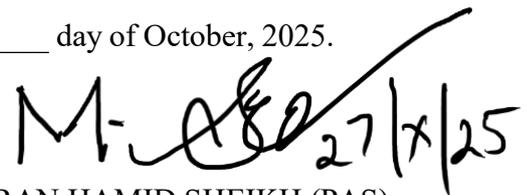
6. **AND WHEREAS**, Rule 3 of the Punjab Environmental Protection (Motor Vehicles) Rules, 2013 prohibits that no person shall operate a motor vehicle from which air pollutants or noise are being emitted in an amount, concentration or level which is in excess of the Environmental quality standards or where applicable the standards established under clause (g) of subsection (1) of section 6 of the Act ibid.

7. **NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Dr. Imran Hamid Sheikh, PAS, Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab, in exercise of powers vested in me under Section 15(2) read with Section 5(4) of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997, as well as Rule 3 of the Punjab Environmental Protection (Motor Vehicles) Rules 2013 do hereby issue the following directions:

- i. It shall be mandatory for all the Light Transport Vehicles (LTVs) / Motor Cars plying on the roads of Lahore to undergo the Emission Testing System (ETS) of EPA Punjab and only those vehicles will be allowed to come on roads whose emissions shall be declared compliant to the relevant Punjab Environmental Quality Standards (PEQS) regarding exhaust emission and noise.
- ii. In first phase, all Light Transport Vehicles (LTVs) and motor cars operating within Lahore, manufactured between the years 2010 and 2015, shall undergo emission testing through the Emission Testing System (ETS) of EPA Punjab by **15th November 2025**. After the said date, legal action shall be taken against non-compliant vehicles under relevant clauses of the Act and Rules, *ibid*, by the Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab.
- iii. The Environmental Protection Agency, Punjab shall, from time to time, issue a schedule for mandatory emission inspections of LTVs and motor cars manufactured in years other than 2010 to 2015.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force unless modified or withdrawn.

Issued under my hand & seal on this 27th day of October, 2025.



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

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- i. The Secretary, Environment Protection and Climate Change Department, Punjab.
- ii. The Secretary, Transport and Mass Transit Department, Punjab.
- iii. The Commissioner, Lahore Division
- iv. The DG Public Relations (DGPR) with a request to ensure wide publicity.
- v. The Deputy Commissioner, Lahore
- vi. The Chief Traffic Officer (CTO), Lahore
- vii. The Additional Secretary (Staff), Chief Secretary's Office, Lahore.
- viii. The Additional Secretary (In charge Environmental Affairs), Chief Minister Office, Lahore.
- ix. The Additional Director General (Ops & Imp), EPA Punjab.

- x. All the Directors, EPA Punjab.
- xi. PSO to Minister for Environment, Forest and P&D Board, Punjab.
- xii. The Secretary, Provincial Transport Authority, Punjab.
- xiii. The Secretary, Judicial Water and Environment Commission (JW&EC),
Lahore.
- xiv. Law Officer, Punjab Environmental Tribunal.
- xv. The Incharge, Strategy and Analysis Wing, EPA HQs, Lahore **for devising a comprehensive mechanism for implementation of this order in true letter and spirit.**
- xvi. The Deputy Directors (Field / Laboratory), EPA, Lahore
- xvii. The Incharge, Social Media Cell, EPA HQs, Punjab.
- xviii. PA to Director General EPA Punjab.