

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1637**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2025

**National Clean Air Programme**

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated, disbursed, and utilized under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) and XVFC for reducing air pollution in the 131 identified cities;
- (b) the city-wise and year-wise air quality improvement targets set under NCAP for the period 2021 to March 2025;
- (c) the number of Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) signed between the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs), and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), and their role in achieving NCAP goals; and
- (d) the measures being taken to monitor the implementation and ensure the success of city-specific action plans under NCAP?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
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**(a):** Under National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), an allocation of Rs. 19,611 crore has been made for 130 cities, including Rs. 16,539 crore for 48 million-plus cities under the 15th Finance Commission's Million Plus City Challenge Fund (MPCCF) for the period FY 2020-21 to 2025-26, and Rs. 3,072 crore for the remaining 82 cities under the Control of Pollution Scheme of the MoEFCC for the period FY 2019-20 to 2025-26. A total of Rs. 11,541.88 crore has been released with utilization of Rs. 8,714.55 crore (75.5%) against the released amount.

**(b):** City-wise and year-wise air quality improvement targets in respect of 82 non-attainment cities in terms of reduction in PM10 concentration is provided at **Annexure-I**.

In case of 48 Million Plus Cities/Urban Agglomerations covered under 15th Finance Commission's Million Plus City Challenge Fund (MPCCF), targets of annual reduction of PM10 concentrations by 15% and improvement of 15% in number of Good Days having Air Quality Index (AQI) less than 200 have been set.

(c) The memorandum of understanding (MoU) has been signed among the Urban Local Bodies (ULB), State Governments and MoEF&CC for all 48 cities with million-plus population identified under Million Plus City Challenge Fund. Also, MoUs have been signed among Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) and ULBs for remaining Non-Attainment Cities (NACs) under NCAP. These MoUs detail out the roles and responsibilities of stakeholders for the effective implementation of various multi-sectoral interventions under NCAP.

(d) To monitor the implementation and success of city-specific action plans under NCAP, several measures are in place. Committees have been constituted for periodic review and monitoring of the programme at various levels, as given below:

**National Level:** Apex Committee, Steering Committee, Monitoring Committee, and Implementation Committee

**State Level:** Steering Committee and State Level Monitoring and Implementation Committee

**City Level:** District Level Implementation and Monitoring Committee

In addition, a comprehensive web-based Portal for Regulation of Air-pollution in Non-Attainment cities (PRANA) is operational for program management and tracking of physical & financial progress. Project Management Units have been setup at SPCBs/PCCs and all cities for providing assistance to Municipal Corporations for implementation of Clean Air Action Plans. A National Knowledge Network (NKN) comprising Institutes of Reputes (IoRs) including IITs provide technical support to cities and States. Cities are ranked and rewarded under the Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan for motivating them to perform better. Additionally, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) conducts field inspections to ensure effective ground-level implementation of the action plans.

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## Annexure I

**City wise targets for reduction in PM10 concentration for year 2021-22 to 2025-26**

S. No.	City/ Town and population	Annual Average PM10 Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Annual Targets of reduction of PM10 Concentration					Expected reduction (45-20%) from 2021-22 to 2025-26	Expected level of PM10 in 2025-26
			2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26		
1	Delhi	178	14	13	14	13	10	65	113
2	Srinagar	122	8	7	8	8	6	37	85
3	Chandigarh	88	5	4	5	5	4	23	65
	<b>5-10 Lakh</b>								
4	Gorakhpur	280	31	27	29	25	18	130	150
5	Moradabad	247	25	22	24	21	16	108	139
6	Firozabad	205	18	17	18	16	12	81	124
7	Noida	203	18	16	18	16	12	79	124
8	Bareilly	178	14	13	14	13	10	65	113
9	Dehradun	166	13	12	13	12	9	59	107
10	Jammu	146	10	10	11	10	8	48	98
11	Durgapur	129	8	8	9	8	6	40	90
12	Jalandhar	118	7	7	8	7	6	35	83
13	Rourkela	110	7	6	7	6	5	31	79
14	Guwahati	106	6	6	7	6	5	30	76
15	Jhansi	102	6	6	6	6	5	28	74
16	Cuttack	102	6	6	6	6	5	28	73
17	Bhubaneswar	98	6	5	6	6	4	26	71
18	Kolhapur	90	5	5	5	5	4	23	66
19	Ujjain	88	5	4	5	5	4	23	65
20	Amravati	88	5	4	5	5	4	23	65

21	Solapur	86	5	4	5	5	4	22	64
22	Gulburga	82	4	4	5	4	3	21	61
23	Hubli-Dharwad	76	4	4	4	4	3	19	57
24	Sangli	67	3	3	4	3	3	16	51
25	Nellore	67	3	3	4	3	3	16	51
26	Guntur	57	3	2	3	3	2	13	44
	<b>1-5 Lakh</b>								
27	Khurja	236	23	21	22	20	15	101	135
28	Raebareli	152	11	10	11	10	8	51	101
29	Rishikesh	135	9	8	9	9	7	42	92
30	Udaipur	130	9	8	9	8	6	41	89
31	Kashipur	126	8	8	9	8	6	39	87
32	Alwar	125	8	7	8	8	6	38	87
33	Muzaffarpur*	124	8	7	8	8	6	37	87
34	Khanna	106	6	6	7	6	5	30	76
35	Patiala	98	6	5	6	6	4	27	72
36	Jalna	95	5	5	6	5	4	25	70
37	Chandrapur	90	5	5	5	5	4	23	67
38	Dewas	89	5	5	5	5	4	23	66
39	Nagaon	88	5	4	5	5	4	23	65

40	Balasore	86	5	4	5	5	4	22	64
41	Thoothukudi*	84	4	4	5	5	3	21	63
42	Dimapur	83	4	4	5	4	3	21	62
43	Latur	82	4	4	5	4	3	21	61
44	Gaya	79	4	4	4	4	3	19	59
45	Sagar	72	4	3	4	4	3	17	54
46	Haldia	71	3	3	4	4	3	17	54

47	Pathankot/ Dera Baba*	70	3	3	4	3	3	16	53
48	Vizianagar am	67	3	3	4	3	3	16	52
49	Akola	67	3	3	4	3	3	16	51
50	Srikakulam	65	3	3	3	3	2	15	50
51	Eluru	64	3	3	3	3	2	14	49
52	Devanagere	63	3	3	3	3	2	14	49
53	Ongole	60	3	3	3	3	2	14	47
54	Anantapur	60	3	3	3	3	2	13	46
55	Nalgonda	59	3	3	3	3	2	13	46
56	Rajahmundry	59	3	2	3	3	2	13	46
57	Jalgaon	56	3	2	3	3	2	12	44
58	Kurnool	56	2	2	3	3	2	12	43
59	Korba	52	2	2	3	2	2	11	41
60	Chittoor	52	2	2	3	2	2	11	40
61	Kadapa	47	2	2	2	2	2	10	37
62	Silchar	44	2	2	2	2	1	9	35
	<b>Less than 1 lakh</b>								
63	Gajraula	211	19	17	19	17	13	85	126

64	Anpara	171	13	12	14	12	9	61	110
65	Baddi	133	9	8	9	9	7	41	91
66	Gobindgarh	127	8	8	9	8	6	39	88
67	Nalagarh	115	7	7	7	7	5	33	82
68	Talcher	107	6	6	7	6	5	30	76
69	Kalinga Nagar	104	6	6	6	6	5	29	75
70	Naya Nangal	99	6	5	6	6	4	27	72
71	Dera Bassi	99	6	5	6	6	4	27	72
72	Byrnihat	98	6	5	6	6	4	27	72
73	Angul	95	5	5	6	5	4	25	69
74	Sangareddy	85	5	4	5	5	4	22	63
75	Kohima	80	4	4	4	4	3	20	60
76	Paonta Sahib	78	4	4	4	4	3	19	59
77	Nalbari	75	4	3	4	4	3	18	57
78	Sunder Nagar	68	3	3	4	3	3	16	52
79	Parwanoo	59							59
80	Sibsagar	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
81	Damtal	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
82	Kala Amb	50							50

- The target for year 2021-22 is with respect to year 2019-20
- The target for subsequent years is with respect to preceding years