.GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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Steps to Check Industrial Pollution

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that iron casting factories located in the industrial area near Jalna city in Maharashtra are causing significant air pollution;
- (b) the current level of major air pollutants such as PM2.5, PM10, NOx and SO₂ recorded in Jalna city; and
- (c) the concrete measures taken by the Government to control industrial pollution in this area?

<u>ANSWER</u>

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a) to (c): As per information provided by Maharashtra State Pollution Control Board (MSPCB), in order to address air pollution in Jalna city, air pollution measurement systems have been installed at Krishidhan Industries, MIDC, Jalna, IMA Hall Bhokardan Naka, Jalna city & Jalna Municipal corporation Building, Jalna. Under the State Air Monitoring Program (SAMP) Scheme, to monitor the air quality in Jalna city, a CAAQM station has been set up in the premises of J.E.S. College, Jalna. Further, a mobile Ambient Air Quality Van carries air quality monitoring of Jalna MIDC and its surroundings areas every month.

The current level of major air pollutants for Jalna city is available in Portal of Central Control Room for Air Quality Management, pertaining to CPCB.

MSPCB Jalna in collaboration with stakeholders identified following steps for mitigation of air pollution from steel Industries in Jalna:

- i. Every industry to prepare inventory & action plan (short term) within a month period and long-term action plan post completion of point no. ii.
- ii. Every industry to conduct an assessment study (includes Quantification of fumes generated from the furnace, performance assessment of the exiting fume extraction system, performance assessment of existing air pollution control devices and conclusion & recommendation based on the study) from the reputed institute for existing pollution control system in the next three months and submit a report.

- iii. Every industry to make sure the existing air pollution monitoring system operated continuously.
- iv. Every industry to take immediate effective steps to improve their operation & maintenance of the existing pollution control system to avoid emissions in surrounding area.

Accordingly, the MSPCB has issued Show Cause Notices on 17.11.2025 to all 16 nos. industries of MIDC Jalna.
