



CAQM writes to Delhi and NCR State Governments to postpone Physical Sports Competitions to be held in November and December, to safeguard Students' Health from Air Pollution

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The Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) convened a consultative meeting on 19.11.2025 to examine the current air quality trends and deliberated upon measures to safeguard children's health especially during the winter months of November and December. Representatives from the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education; Delhi and NCR State Governments, Sports Authority of India and representatives of NCR State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/ DPCC attended the meeting.

In compliance with the observations made by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the CAQM has written to the Governments of NCT of Delhi, Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh to take immediate and appropriate action to ensure that physical sport competitions scheduled in the months of November and December may be postponed keeping in view the air quality trends prevailing in the area where such events are scheduled to be organized.

The Commission has also emphasized that students affected by such postponements should not face any disadvantage, and NCR State Governments/ GNCTD to explore ways to reschedule such events or provide alternative opportunities for students to engage in similar activities at a later time, without compromising their health or academic progress.

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