

CAQM constitutes Expert Committee for Abatement of Air Pollution caused by Vehicular Emissions in Delhi-NCR

Committee to advance Evidence-based Policy Action for Improving Air Quality and Safeguarding Public Health in Delhi-NCR

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Vehicular emissions remain a major contributor for air pollution in Delhi-NCR, aggravating PM_{2.5}, Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x), Carbon Monoxide (CO) and Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions. This poses serious public-health challenges in the region.

Keeping in view the urgent necessity to develop strategies for abatement of air pollution caused by vehicular emissions in Delhi-NCR, Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) has constituted an Expert Committee.

The Expert Committee brings together leading academicians, health specialists, automotive research institutions and other experts in the field to recommend a robust, multi-pronged roadmap for emission reduction in the vehicular sector. The composition of the Expert Committee is as follows:

S. No.	Name & Designation	
1.	Prof. Ashok Jhunjhunwala, IIT Madras	Chairperson
2.	Dr. (Prof.) Randeep Guleria, Former Director, AIIMS, Delhi	Co-Chairperson
3.	Prof. Mukesh Sharma, IIT Kanpur	Member
4.	Dr. (Prof.) Arvind Kumar, Founder of Lung Care Foundation	Member
5.	Prof. Sagnik Dey, IIT Delhi	Member
6.	Representative of MoRTH not below the rank of Joint Secretary	Member
7.	Representative of MHI not below the rank of Joint Secretary	Member

8.	Ms. Archana Mittal, Adviser, Niti Aayog	Member
9.	Dr. Reji Mathai, Director, ARAI, Pune	Member
10.	Sh. Saurabh Dalela, Director, ICAT, Manesar	Member
11.	Dr. Arunabha Ghosh, CEO, CEEW, New Delhi	Member
12.	Ms. Anumita Rowchaudhary, Executive Director, CSE, New Delhi	Member
13.	Sh. Amit Bhatt, Managing Director, ICCT, New Delhi	Member
14.	Dr. Anju Goel, Associate Director, TERI, New Delhi	Member
15.	Dr. Virinder Sharma, Member Technical, CAQM	Convener

The Committee shall:

- Review policies, programmes and regulatory frameworks related to clean mobility, including BS norms, electric mobility initiatives and fuel-efficiency standards across Delhi-NCR.
- Assess segment-wise contributions of vehicular emissions and related exposure risks and recommend regulatory measures for reduction in vehicular emissions.
- Examine technological readiness, infrastructural requirements, cost implications and incentive plans for an accelerated Electric Vehicle (EV) transition across vehicle segments.
- Recommend additional measures, as deemed necessary, for abatement towards air pollution caused by vehicular transport.

The Expert Committee will submit its recommendations within a period of two months. The Committee may also consult the stakeholders and furnish interim recommendations. The Expert Committee can also co-opt additional experts or institutions as deemed necessary. The first meeting of the Committee will take place on 15.12.2025. The constitution of this Expert Committee will advance evidence-based policy action for improving air quality and safeguarding public health in Delhi-NCR.

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