

Minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Sh. Tajinder Pal Singh Sandhu, ADC(G), Amritsar on 09-03-2016 at 10:00 AM at his office in Zila Parishad Complex, Amritsar to review the progress made by various departments as per time period mentioned in the affidavit filed in Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court the in the context of CWP No. 3773 of 2011 titled Court on its Own motion V/s State of Punjab & others.

Following were present:-

1. Sh. Surinder Singh, Joint Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar
2. Dr. Kanwar Ajay Singh, MOH, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.
3. Er. G.S. Majithia, CEE, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Jalandhar.
4. Sh. Diljit Singh Bedi, Additional Secretary, SGPC, Amritsar.
5. Er. S.K Chawla, Deputy Chief Engineer, PSPCL, City Circle, Amritsar.
6. Sh. Balwinder Singh Chhinna, Chief Agriculture Officer, Amritsar.
7. Sh. Navneet Singh Mahal, ACP (Traffic), Amritsar.
8. Er. Kulwant Singh, SEE, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Amritsar.
9. Er. Bal Krishan, Addl. SE, PSPCL, Amritsar.
10. Sh. Jaswant Singh, Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Amritsar.
11. Er. Surjit Singh, Executive Engineer, ADA (Galiara), Amritsar.
12. Sh. Gurdip Singh, ADO, Amritsar.
13. Er. Kamaljit Singh, AEE, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Amritsar.
14. Er. Rantej Sharma, AEE, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Amritsar.

At the outset, Chief Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board welcomed the officers and apprised the matter to the house that Sh. Gurusewak Singh filed a representation/complaint to Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, sharing his concern about pollution being caused to Sri Harimandir Sahib at Amritsar with copy endorsed to Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court stating that at presently the industries in and around Golden Temple is causing pollution and emission from industries result in forming of acid rain which results in change of golden colour of Golden Temple. The Hon'ble High Court considering the importance of issue took Suo Moto of the said complaint and admitted it as Civil Writ Petition No. 3773 of 2011 titled as **Court on Its Own Motion v/s The State of Punjab and others.**

He further apprised that an affidavit was filed by District Administration on the behalf of State of Punjab before Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court on 06/01/2014 alongwith the detail of description/activity completed by various departments in regard to the implementation of the recommendations of the IIT, New Delhi and the detail of remaining tasks/activities is to continue and is yet to be completed. He also apprised that a news item appeared in The Tribune, New Delhi dated 22/2/2016 titled as "Little Efforts to Check Pollution in Shrine Complex". The said news item has been forwarded by Ministry of Environment & Forests to the Punjab Pollution Control Board with request to provide a detailed action taken report to mitigate pollution in vicinity of Golden Temple.

The Chairman asked about the compliance of the Action Plan and directed to ACP (Traffic) to ban the entry of three-wheelers which are more than 10 years old and other vehicles more than 15 years old, within the walled city. The ACP (Traffic) told that there is already a complete ban on entry of the vehicles beyond Fawara Chowk. The Chairman also asked the Joint Commissioner, M.C. Amritsar to put the Boards and Banners to aware the commuters about the ban of entry of vehicles in the Golden Temple arena.

The Chairman decided to constitute a four members committee comprising officers of departments of Traffic Police, Punjab Pollution Control Board & SGPC, Amritsar and M.C. Amritsar to jointly visit the traffic prone area from the Fawara Chowk to entry of the Golden Temple Complex and to report and review the traffic problem in the area.

Sh. Diljit Singh Bedi, Additional Secretary, SGPC, Amritsar told that hi-tech kitchen has been completed about 80% and likely date of completion of the same is 30/6/2016.

Chief Environmental Engineer further apprised to the Chairman that as decided in the previous meetings to install Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station in the vicinity of Golden Temple. The instrument is of highly cost has been reached in the Amritsar. The foundation over which the instrument has to be placed is being constructed and the same will be installed with immediate effect.

The Chairman has decided that bi-monthly meeting may be called so that the effectiveness in the steps to control the pollution be increased. The department wise progress is attached as Annexure-A.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to all present.

Action Plan

Annexure-A

Review of progress made by various departments as per time schedule fixed on 22/08/2013 for implementing the recommendations of the IIT, Delhi to control Pollution in and around Golden Temple, Amritsar.

Sr. No.	Name of the Department / Organization	Description/Activity	Target Date fixed on 22/8/2013	Activity as planned on 22/8/2013	Progress achieved as on 06/11/2013	Progress as per record	Detail as on 9/3/2016
1.	Department of Transport	a) Electric Operated three -wheeler and four-wheelers shall only be allowed in phase manner to enter within the walled city.	15 days	The Traffic Police Department Amritsar along with district transport Officer shall prepare a plan for introduction of more electric operated three wheelers and four wheelers.	<p>a. The SGPC has already deployed 6 Electric Operated four-wheelers to carry the sangat from Fuwara Chowk (Saragari Parking) to Golden Temple.</p> <p>b. The Chief Administrator, ADA has supplied 2 no. Electric Operated four-wheelers to carry the sangat from Fuwara Chowk (Saragari Parking) to Golden Temple.</p> <p>c. The Municipal Corporation, Amritsar has initiated the process for the issuance of notification regarding declaration of area for the ban of entry of petrol/diesel operated three-wheelers in the walled city.</p>	<p>a. The SGPC has already deployed 6 Electric Operated four-wheelers to carry the sangat from Fuwara Chowk (Saragari Parking) to Golden Temple.</p> <p>b. 2 no. Electric Operated four-wheelers has been repaired and has been handed over to SGPC authorities. A nodal officer has been appointed by SGPC for the monitoring Electric Operated four-wheelers.</p> <p>c. Notification regarding prohibition/restriction of entry of 15-year old vehicles or more than 15-year old vehicles within the walled city has been issued by Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Transport.</p>	<p>The Nodal Officer has appointed by SGPC shall monitor the movement of these electric operated three wheelers and submit fortnightly report.</p> <p>The ACP traffic told that there is already total ban of the entry of vehicles beyond Fawara Chowk. Dept. of Transport shall strictly implement the notification ban of entry of 15 years old vehicles and 10 years old three-wheelers within walled city.</p>

					d. The DTO, Amritsar has supplied the list of three-wheelers with series having age more than 10 years to traffic police department, Amritsar for the ban of entry of these vehicles and also the plan for elimination of three-wheelers within walled city is under consideration.	d. As per the meeting dated 12/12/2013, the DC, Amritsar has constituted the committee in this regard comprising of following members:- (i) Commissioner, MC, Amritsar (ii) DTO, Amritsar (iii) Deptt of Traffic Police, Amritsar	The ACP traffic informed that in the year 2015, 1011 Challans and 733 Challans for Jan-Feb, 2016 have been issued for vehicles not carrying PUC certificates. It has been directed that ACP traffic shall submit the detail of Challans issued within walled city month wise.
	b) Entry of traffic from Hall Gate to Dharam Singh market should be diverted to alternative routes.	30.09.2013	The Municipal Corporation along with Department of Transport shall plan provision of additional Hi-Tech parking facility near Fish Market and Kairon Market near Hall Gate.	The Municipal Corporation, Amritsar has submitted that R.F.P. (Request For Proposal) is under process for construction of Hi-Tech parking facility near Hall Bazar on DBFOT basis (Design, Build, Finance, Operate & Transfer). R.P.F is expected to be ready in the last week of November, 2013 and tenders will be floated for this Hi-Tech parking facility on DBFOT basis in December, 2013.	As per the meeting dated 24/12/2013, the MC authorities vide letter no. XEN-V/09 dated 2/12/2013 informed that R.F.P. for construction of Hi-Tech parking facility in Fish Market and Kairon Market on DBFOT basis has been made and tender for the same will be invited before the end of 12/2013. The ADCP (Traffic) Amritsar vide his office letter no. 02-5E dated 02/01/2014 informed that there is complete ban on entry of heavy vehicles in Amritsar city between 8:00 am to 8:00 PM.	The ACP traffic has informed that there is complete ban on entry of heavy vehicles in Amritsar city between 8:00 am to 8:00 PM. It has been decided that M.C. Amritsar shall put up the proposal for construction of hi-tech parking facility in fish market and Kairon market.	
	c) 15 years old vehicles should be	07 Days	The department of	The Deputy Commissioner Police, Commissionerate, Amritsar has issued orders	As per the meeting dated 24/12/2013, the MC authorities has installed 5 no.	The traffic Police shall appoint a Nodal Officer not below the rank of ASI to monitor the ban of entry of commercial	

		banned to enter within the walled city.		transport shall take up matter with The Secretary, Transport Govt. of Punjab regarding checking / impounding of 15 years old vehicles and entering within the walled City	u/s 144 of CrPC vide No. 27267-310 dated 11/10/2013 regarding ban on entry of commercial vehicles such as three-wheeler (auto), four-wheeler, tractor trolley & heavy vehicle registered for more than 15 years to enter within the walled city. The DTO, Amritsar has provided the list of vehicles with series having age more than 15 years to Traffic Police Department, Amritsar for the ban of entry of these vehicles.	boards of adequate size at suitable places displaying the orders u/s 144 of CrPC vide no. 27267-310 dated 11/10/2013 regarding ban on entry of commercial vehicles such as three-wheeler (Auto), four-wheeler, tractor trolley & heavy vehicle registered for more than 15 years to enter within the walled city.	vehicles within the walled city having more than 15 years of registration. The M.C. Amritsar shall also install boards/banners displaying the orders issued u/s 144 of CrPC at suitable places for ban of entry of commercial vehicles / tractor trolleys and heavy vehicles within walled city having more than 15 years of registration. The M.C. Amritsar shall also supply the photographs of the banners displayed.
		d) Entry of Heavy-duty vehicles must be regulated with strict implementation and monitoring.	No target date only strict monitoring to be started.	The Traffic Police along with Deptt. of Transport shall monitor the same.	a. The ACP (Traffic), Amritsar informed that the monitoring on ban of entry of heavy duty vehicles is already being done on daily basis. b. A team consisting of Motor Vehicle Inspector and Inspector (Traffic Police) has been deployed to ban the entry of the heavy duty vehicles on every Thursday.	a. The ACP (Traffic), Amritsar informed that the monitoring on ban of entry of heavy duty vehicles is already being done on daily basis.	The ACP (Traffic), Amritsar informed that the monitoring on ban of entry of heavy duty vehicles is already being done on daily basis.

		<p>e) Traffic movements around the Golden Temple must be redesigned introducing one way traffic to avoid congestions.</p>	<p>One week</p>	<p>The Commissioner Municipal Corporation, Amritsar shall make arrangements to supply the study report of Traffic Management Plan to the District Transport Officer and Commissioner of Police within 03 Days and the Traffic Police shall draw a Plan in consensus with Municipal Corporation Amritsar</p>	<p>The ACP (Traffic), Amritsar informed that stickers bearing signatures of competent authority have been prepared and distributed among the residents residing around the periphery of the Golden Temple. The ADCP (Traffic) Amritsar informed that the master plan has been prepared in coordination with Town Planner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar in context to problem of pollution in Galiara area. The area around Golden Temple was personally surveyed and observed that most of the problem of traffic arises in the way from Softy chowk to Sarai and due to blockage of traffic people accelerate their vehicles more frequently which leads to increase in pollution and for its prevention it is suggested that way should be given for Sarai to Softy chowk from Jallianwala Bagh only and from the exit of Sarai or traffic going to Hall Bazar should be coming out from Sultanwind Gate or from Katra Ahluwalia through Galiara towards Fuwara chowk. The trial of this has been done and found</p>	<p>b. As per the meeting dated 24/12/2013, the Traffic Police Deptt. has done the one way routes for uniform flow of traffic. The MC authorities has installed 2 no. sign boards of adequate size at suitable places displaying the route of one way traffic for general information of the Public/Commuters.</p>	<p>Dept. of Traffic has been directed to strictly implement usage of one way route for uniform flow of traffic.</p>
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				within 15 Days and submit the same to District administration for consideration of its implementation.	to be successful. Apart from this ban on entry of rickshaws should be imposed in Fuwara chowk and all ways coming out, so that the way should remain free and there should be no disturbance in traffic. It can be implemented in toto and apart from this no provision can be made of any other entry or any other one way route and rest of the traffic can flow as it is.		
2	Shiromoni Gurudwara Parbhadhak Committee, Sri Amritsar.	a) Free kitchen should be re-designed preferably installed with higher stack height and fitted Wet Scrubber. The height of the chimney may be worked out following the guideline as given by the Central Pollution Control Board.	15.09.2013	The SGPC is already in advance stage of planning of gas based Kitchen. The PPCB along with PSCST Chd shall give technical knowhow for re-designing of the Kitchen and formulation of a	The SGPC has already replaced a part of old kitchen where wood @ 1500kg/day was used with new kitchen with improved wood combustion design and air pollution control measured like wet cap type scrubbing system on the top of stacks have been installed for containing emissions. A team comprising of officers of Punjab State Council for Science & Technology, Chandigarh and Punjab Pollution Control Board, Amritsar Office visited the Golden Temple, Amritsar on 28/10/2013 and verified the facts that a new kitchen has been established comprising of one set of 4 Bhatties for pulses and	As per the meeting dated 12/12/2013, the SGPC vide its letter no. 8668/8-3 dated 12/12/2013 informed that the extension work of Langar Hall is going on at its full swing, on which expenditure of approx. Rs. 18.19 crore will be incurred and it is expected that the said work will be completed approx. 18 months period. He further informed that as per the advice of the experts engaged in the said project the kitchen will be pollution free.	Sh. Diljit Singh Bedi, Additional Secretary, SGPC told that the hi-tech kitchen has been completed about 80% and likely date of completion of the same is 30/6/2016. The present site where community kitchen is in operation was visited by CEE, SEE and EE along with Additional Secretary (Langar) SGPC on 9/3/2016 and observed that previous kitchen which was in operation in 2013 has been dismantled and at present the kitchen is being used on temporarily basis in which 03 nos. wood fired furnaces were in operation. About 40-50 Qtl. Per day fire wood used as a fuel and no APCD is provided with these furnaces.

				<p>scientific Plan and any Air Pollution Control required for Control of Emissions from present Kitchen.</p>	<p>vegetable preparation and a second set of 4 Bhatties for Chappati preparation and provided with wet cap type scrubber on the top of the stacks.</p> <p>The team was also of the view that the performance of newly kitchen after commissioning be adjudged after adopting the suggested measures.</p> <p>The additional measures as suggested by the PSCST officers during their visit on 28/10/2013 have been informed to SGPC authorities for improvement in further better combustion of fuel and air pollution control.</p> <p>The Additional Secretary, SGPC has further informed that they have a proposal to establish new modern kitchen hall equipped with latest air pollution control devices whose work is under construction.</p>		
		<p>b) Vertical Garden and/or designing a layer of appropriate plants/trees using big sized pots</p>	<p>30.09.2013</p>	<p>The SGPC shall contact expert agencies in the field of</p>	<p>The Additional Secretary, SGPC informed that more than 250 no big pots have already been provided in the corridor of parkarma having evergreen flowering plants and they have a proposal to provide 1000 more such pots.</p>	<p>As per the meeting dated 12/12/2013, the Executive Engineer, ADA (Galiara), Amritsar informed that the compliance in this regard has been done.</p>	<p>The SGPC authority has been directed to provide more sapling pots for thickening of already provided vertical garden.</p>

		placed around the Golden Temple at suitable places shall provide shelter to the temple and thus assist in reducing the ambient pollution level.		horticulture/vertical Gardening and shall make efforts to provide appropriate plants/trees using big sized pots placed around the Golden Temple at suitable places.			
3	Municipal Corporation, Amritsar	a) Daily road cleaning using heavy-duty vacuum cleaners along with sprinkling of water should be introduced to suppress the re-suspension by road dust.		The Municipal Corporation shall a) Explore to intensify the garbage/dust collection practice twice a day. b)	The Municipal Corporation, Amritsar has made the compliance which is as follow:- <i>(a) Additional Night Sanitation has been started around Golden Temple area in addition to morning sanitation.</i> <i>(b) Municipal staff has been directed to have a watch on new buildings under construction and also to lift malba regularly.</i> <i>(c) Vacuum cleaner</i>	As per the meeting dated 24/12/2013, the MC authorities has installed 9 no. boards of adequate size at collection points displaying the name of concerned sanitary inspector along with his contact number and duty hours, who shall be responsible for ensuring the lifting of garbage 4 times in a day. The MC authorities have provided 18 stainless steel dustbins at different places on the road leading to Golden	The Joint Commissioner, M.C. Amritsar has informed that following steps has been taken to control the dust emission:- 1. Daily Road cleaning using heavy duty vacuum cleaners along with sprinkling of water has been introduced to suppress the re-suspension by road dust. 2. 40 dustbins were installed at different places on the road leading to the Golden Temple so that the wastage is thrown by the people in the said dustbins instead of throwing the same on the road.

				<p>Constitute a team for Malba lifting and arresting dust/garbage from new construction activities taking place within the Walled City.</p> <p>c) Intensify Vacuum Cleaners for Dust collection</p> <p>d) Provide additional Bins for Garbage Collection.</p>	<p><i>machines have been deployed for mechanical sweeping.</i></p> <p><i>(d) Additional bins for garbage have been provided. 48 bins have already been provided and there is a provision to provide 18 more bins.</i></p> <p>The M.C. Amritsar informed that orders have been passed regarding lifting of garbage four times in a day from yellow bins which are provided near Golden Temple.</p>	<p>Temple. 22 more dustbins are being installed at different places.</p>	<p>3. Social Education has been imparted to the general public by way of organizing seminars in the Hall Bazar, meeting with shopkeepers, Rehriwalas, Langar Committees and Religious bodies.</p> <p>4. Cleaning of the areas around the Golden Temple along with the roads leading to the Golden Temple is being done twice a day and the list of the employees deputed for this purpose.</p> <p>5. The informatory / Mandatory Boards depicting the “No Parking” places, prohibition of entry of the vehicles having life more than 15 years, prohibition of entry of heavy vehicles, routes showing one way traffic and name of the concerned Sanitary Inspectors along with their mobile numbers have been installed at different places.</p> <p>6. The temporary encroachments from the areas around the Golden Temple are being removed regularly so as to avoid nuisance in the said areas.</p> <p>He further submitted the list of Safai Sewak Karamcharis who have been assigned the duty to clean the surroundings of Sri Darbar Sahib, area wise, 01 no. machine provided for the cleaning of road, 01 no. sprinkler for sprinkling of water and 04 nos. trolleys to lift the MSW has been provided.</p>
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							The M.C. authority has been directed for the strictly implement of activity for daily road cleaning around Sri Darbar Sahib.
4	Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,	a) The authorities must try to provide uninterrupted power supply to the surrounding commercial units to avoid use of DG sets. Otherwise, as an alternative, the commercial units must plan to use combined soundless natural gas/LPG based power generators with proper pollution control.	No target date as it's continues process.	The Deputy Commissioner Asr shall write to The Secretary Power, Govt. of Punjab for provision of uninterrupted power supply in whole of the area within Walled city.	D.O letters in this regard have already been written by Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar on 6/9/2013 to the Secretary Power, Govt. of Punjab and CMD (Power), PSPCL. Reminders have also been issued to the authorities as stated above on 1/11/2013 for compliance on part of PSPCL. The Deputy Chief Engineer/DS, City Circle, PSPCL, Amritsar has submitted that to give uninterrupted power supply to areas around Golden Temple 2 no. Sites were selected by a committee constituted under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. A team comprising of Grid Const. Org., Transmission Line Org, APDRP Org and representative of M/s L & T have visited the site today. After visiting both the sites, it has been concluded by the Committee that the site of park lying vacant and unused by the public opposite Sita	As per the meeting dated 08/05/2014, The Deputy Chief Engineer, PSPCL informed that the site at park opp. Hotel Sita Niwas selected for the construction of 66 KVA GIS Grid is yet to be handed over by MC authorities. He further informed that the total cost to be incurred for the construction of 66 KVA GIS grid is approx. 32.40 crores and due to lack of funds the PSPCL is facing difficulty for providing un-interrupted power supply to the consumers. The SE MC Amritsar informed that the selected site will be handed over to PSPCL authorities at the earliest. The DC Amritsar directed MC Amritsar to hand over the site to PSPCL authorities and also directed PSPCL authorities to arrange the funds required for the construction of 66 KVA GIS grid station.	Deputy Chief Engineer Sh. S.K. Chawla has informed that One no. 66KV GIS Grid S/S near Langar Hall of Sri Darbar Sahib, Amritsar is under execution stage. The structural drawing for construction of building are under construction and laying of cable/construction of GIS Grid is at tendering stage. PSPCL is also revamping the whole electrical system from Hall Gate to Golden Temple and back up to Pink Plaza at an approx. cost of Rs. 42 Cr. to give uninterrupted power supply to areas around Golden Temple and work order in this regard has already been issued by PWD authority to M/s Ramky Infrastructure Ltd. Hyderabad. The work under the project is at execution stage and is likely to be completed within next six months.

				<p>Niwas near Sarai Guru Ramdass is suitable for erection of 66 KV Gas Insulated Substation (GIS).</p> <p>He further submitted that GIS is a modern technique to be used in city area where safety of public is important. The GIS will be indoor and its detail are as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ground floor will be used for 66 KV switch yard and transformer. 2. First floor will be constructed and 11 KV switch yard will be situated at First Floor. <p>The approx. Cost of project will be as below:-</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>a</td> <td>Cost of 66KV) GIS without the price of land but including cost of building</td> <td>Rs.10.00 Cr</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b</td> <td>Laying of 66KV Cable from 66KV Golden Temple S/Stn</td> <td>Rs.5.50 Cr</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c)</td> <td>Laying of 66KV Cable, if second source of supply is given from 66KV Hall</td> <td>Rs.10.50 Cr</td> </tr> </table>	a	Cost of 66KV) GIS without the price of land but including cost of building	Rs.10.00 Cr	b	Laying of 66KV Cable from 66KV Golden Temple S/Stn	Rs.5.50 Cr	c)	Laying of 66KV Cable, if second source of supply is given from 66KV Hall	Rs.10.50 Cr	
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5.	District Administration	a) Crop residue/ biomass burning should be completely banned around the city	No target date as it's continues process.	The matter is under active consideration of the State Govt. A meeting regarding management of Paddy Straw Residue was held on	<p>The Govt. of Punjab, Department of Science Technology & Environment, Chandigarh has issued notification No. 3/162/2006-STE(4)/948 dated 22/10/2013 regarding issuance of directions to all concerned and general public and prohibiting the indiscriminate burning of left over paddy and wheat straw/stubble in the whole state of Punjab with immediate effect.</p> <p>The Chief Agriculture Officer informed that they have started implementation</p>	<p>As per the meeting dated 24/12/2013, The Chief Agriculture Officer vide his office letter no. 9453 dated 12/12/2013 informed that the training camps regarding educating the farmers to stop the burning of leftover paddy/stubble have been organized in the district Amritsar and presently sowing of wheat on 724 Acres of land have been done with the help of hapiseeder machine without stubble burning.</p> <p>The Secretary Science</p>	<p>The Chief Agricultural Officer apprised about the steps taken to control the stubble burning that the awareness camps has been conducted in the villages and through the public address systems to aware the farmers not to burn the paddy residue. The wheat farming done on 1200 acres through happy seeders and new alternative seeding techniques. He further asked to submit the compliance in written.</p>					

				<p>07.08.2013 and action plan to control the burning of paddy residue has been prepared. The matter is being monitored separately by the State Govt., thus, it is not the appropriate platform to discuss the crop – residue burning issue.</p>	<p>to comply the above mentioned notification regarding the burning of left over paddy and wheat straw. In compliance to the notification as stated above, the Chief Agriculture Officer has informed that</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Announcement regarding the ban of burning the paddy straw and other agriculture waste has been done in the villages- Guruwali, Mahal, Gumtala, Ibban Kalan and Mudhal to create the awareness among the people.2. Also block level farmer training camps have been organized in the village- Tahli Sahib of block Tarsikka on 23/10/2013, village-Rakhdevi Dasspura of block Jandiala Guru on 24/10/2013 village-Chande of block Majitha on 29/10/2013 and village-Mandiala of block Verka on 30/10/2013 to create awareness among the farmers not to burning the paddy straw and other agriculture waste. Farmers were guided about seeding of wheat grains in	<p>Technology and Environment, Govt. of Punjab has issued notification vide no. 3/162/2006-STE(4)/ 948 dated 22/10/2013 vide which directions have been issued to all concerned and general public and prohibits the indiscriminate burning of left over paddy and wheat straw/stubble in the whole of State of Punjab with immediate effect.</p>	
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6.	Punjab Pollution Control Board	a) No new and/or expansion of existing heavy polluting industries (under 17 Red category) should be allowed within 2 km radius (aerial distance) of Golden temple.	Regular monitoring	The PPCB shall identify the industries falling within two Kms of periphery of Golden Temple and shall consider the expansion of highly polluting industries on case to case basis.	The Punjab Pollution Control Board is monitoring the industries falling within two Kms of periphery of Golden Temple periodically and the expansion of highly polluting industries shall be considered on case to case basis.	As per the meeting dated 12/12/2013, the Environmental Engineer, PPCB informed that monitoring of industries around Golden Temple is being done on regular basis.	It has been intimated that PPCB is regularly monitoring the industries located within 02 km radius of Golden Temple.
7.	Shiromoni Gurudwara Parbhadhak Committee, Central Pollution Control Board and Punjab Pollution Control Board.	a) The Golden Temple is a paramount place of worship for the Sikhs and attracts tourist throughout world. The ambient air quality within and around Golden	3 months	The PPCB shall contact CPCB immediately for installation of a permanent continuous ambient air quality	The Central Pollution Control Board, New Delhi is in the process of procuring continuous ambient air quality analyser for installation at various locations in India including Mandi Gobindgarh & Ludhiana by floating global tenders. The Punjab Pollution Control Board has requested the Central Pollution Control Board, New Delhi for the purchase of one extra	As per the meeting dated 08/05/2014, PPCB has arranged funds of 50 % share i.e. Rs. 55 Lacs from CPCB. The SGPC has deposited its half of share of Rs. 55 Lacs i.e. Rs. 27.5 Lacs to PPCB and PPCB has itself contributed the half of share of Rs. 27.5 Lacs of MC Amritsar from its own account. Dr. S. Saha, Addl. Director,	Chief Environmental Engineer apprised to the Chairman that as decided in the previous meeting to install Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station in the vicinity of Golden Temple. The Punjab Pollution Control Board have been successful in the procurement of CAAQMS which has arrived in Amritsar and will be installed with immediate effect.

		<p>temple should be continuously monitored to capture any episodic (extreme) as well as average pollutants concentrations. A permanent continuous ambient air quality monitoring station, meeting NAAQS guidelines, should be installed within the premises of the Temple along with a continuous micro meteorological station monitoring all criteria parameters of pollutants and meteorology.</p>		<p>monitoring station, meeting NAAQS guidelines. The said continuous analyzer may be installed within three months.</p>	<p>continuous ambient air analyser to be installed at Sri Darbar Sahib, Amritsar. The total cost for the installation of continuous ambient air quality monitoring station will be approx. 1.5 crore including telemetry and central receiving station. The cost may vary as per the parameters to be monitored. The 50% contribution of cost of continuous ambient air analyser be ordered to Shiromani Gurudwara Parbhandhak Committee, Amritsar and rest 50% of the cost be ordered to contribute by 3 no. departments namely Central Pollution Control Board, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar and Punjab Pollution Control Board, since the Punjab Pollution Control Board is not in position to bear the whole cost of continuous ambient air analyser alone.</p>	<p>CPCB, CEE, PPCB, Scientific Officer, Head Office Lab (Air Section) along with Environmental Engineer RO Amritsar has visited on 06/02/2016, the complex and has finalized the site for installation of CAAQMS. The EE RO Amritsar has applied for NOC to ADA Amritsar for possession of the land area required for installation of CAAQMS and the same is to be granted by DC cum Project Director, ADA Amritsar.</p>	
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