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**Minutes of the 7th review meeting of the "District Environment Committee" (DEC) held on 08.08.2023 at 10:00 a.m. under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka to review the progress of activities in the District Environment Plan /compliance pertaining to decisions of 6th review meeting of District Environment Plan of District in the Meeting hall, District Administration, Fazilka**

List of Participants attached herewith as **Annexure-A**.

At the outset, Assistant Environmental Engineer, PPCB welcomed all the stakeholder departments present in the meeting and brought out that Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in its order dated 05.07.2021 in OA no. 360 of 2018 in the matter of Shree Nath Sharma Vs Union of India & Ors had directed in para no. 21 of the said order for completion of District Environment Plans of various Districts of the State. In compliance to said order, District Environment Plan of Fazilka was finalized which includes the timelines for completion of various activities i.e. management of solid waste, plastic waste, E-waste, C&D waste, bio-medical waste, hazardous waste, air quality, water quality, industrial wastewater, mining activities and noise pollution. Meetings of District Environment Committee are being conducted to review the progress and timelines of activities mentioned in the District Environment Plan. The present meeting has been scheduled to review the progress of activities pertaining to decisions of 6th review meeting of District Environment Plan.

Point wise compliance of activities as provided by concerned stakeholders during meeting is tabulated as under:

Sr. No.	Item of solid waste in District Environment Plan	Decision taken by the Chairperson during the meeting on 13.04.2023	Progress/ compliance of the Deptt.	Decision taken by the Chairperson during the meeting
<b>1.0 Solid Waste Management</b>				
1.1	<b>Segregation of Solid Waste</b>	The Chairperson directed to make compliance by 30.06.2023	Stakeholders informed as under: 1. MC Fazilka –about 95 % sources segregation is achieved. 2. MC Abohar- about 95 % source segregation has been achieved 3. MC Jalalabaad- about 95% source segregation has been achieved.	MC/NP have been directed to achieve the 100% segregation of solid waste at source by 30.09.2023. Further directed that required machinery and manpower shall be hired for achieving the 100% door to door collection and source segregation.

			<p>4. NP Arniwala – about 95% source segregation has been achieved</p> <p>DDPO informed that civil structure for Solid waste management such as compost pits and material recovery facility shed have been constructed in 23 no. villages and operation of the sites shall be commissioned by 30.09.2023.</p>	<p>DDPO has been directed to start the execution of solid waste management in the villages in phased manner as given in the District Environment Plan. Solid waste management sites in the ongoing 23 villages shall be initiated within one month and accordingly shall be followed up for other villages.</p>
1.2	Waste Deposition Centre (For domestic Hazardous waste)	DDPO was directed to make compliance.	<p>MC/NP have informed that additional cabin has been provided in vehicles carrying segregated solid waste and have provided waste deposition centers/compartments in the material recovery facility for storage of domestic hazardous waste.</p> <p>DDPO informed that civil structure for Solid waste management such as compost pits and material recovery facility shed have been constructed in 23 no. villages and operation of the sites shall be commissioned by 30.09.2023.</p>	<p>MC/NP have been directed to make an agreement with authorized recycler/disposal facility for disposal of collected domestic hazardous waste.</p> <p>DDPO has been directed to start the execution of solid waste management in the villages in phased manner as given in the District Environment Plan. Solid waste management sites in the ongoing 23 villages shall be initiated within one month and</p>

				accordingly shall be followed up for other villages.
1.3	<b>Disposal of inert and nonrecyclable wastes : Sanitary Landfill Site</b>	MC Jalalabad was directed to make compliance by 31.08.2023.  MC Fazilka to identify another site for Sanitary Landfill and site shall be developed by 31.08.2023.	MC Jalalabad informed that construction of sanitary landfill is under process and will be completed by 30.09.2023 MC Fazilka informed that work regarding construction of sanitary land fill site at Sainiya road, Fazilka was started and 40 % of the construction work was completed, however there has been no further progress due to a high court matter pending for the site of sanitary landfill. NP Arniwala and Aboharhas provided Sanitary landfill for the disposal of inert and non-recyclable wastes.	MC Jalalabad has been directed to make compliance by 30.09.2023.  MC Fazilka has been directed to follow up and expedite the High Court matter at the earliest, so that construction of sanitary land fill site can be completed and same shall be commissioned.
1.4	<b>Remediation of historic/ legacy dump site alongwith treatment of leachate generated from legacy waste dump site.</b>	MC/NP were directed to ensure 100 % treatment of legacy waste by 31.08.2023.	Progress submitted by stakeholders is as under: MC Abohar: On going (30 % done) MC Fazilka: On Going (40% Done) MC Jalalabad: On Going (40% Done) NP Arniwala: On Going (90% Done)	MC Abohar, MC Fazilka and MC Jalalabaad were directed to ensure 100 % treatment of legacy waste by 31.12.2023. NP Arniwalawas directed to ensure 100 % treatment of legacy waste by 30.09.2023.
1.5	<b>CCTV cameras and Piezometers to be installed at dumping sites.</b>	MC Jalalabad & NP Arniwala were directed to make compliance by 30.06.2023.	MC Abohar and MC Fazilkainformed that Piezometer and CCTV cameras have been provided at dump site.	It was directed that MC Jalalabaad and NP Arniwala shall make compliance by 30.09.2023.

			Other MC/NP assured to provide peizometres and CCTV cameras at dump site by 30.09.2023.	
1.6	Carcass should be utilized by adopting rendering process or incineration and priority may be given to carcass utilization plants.	MC/NP and DDPO were directed to make compliance	MC Fazilka informed they have made agreement with a private contractor for disposal of dead bodies of animals received at Carcass plant falling under their jurisdiction. AllMC/NP and DDPO assured that the short term measures like provision of boundary wall, green belt, plantation and hedges etc at the carcasses disposal sites shall be provided by 30.09.2023 and MC Abohar has assured that incineration be done for utilization of carcasses from 30.09.2023.	MC/NP and DDPO were directed to make compliance
1.7	Management of wastewater and solid waste by the unauthorized colonies/ residential complex/ commercial complex developed by Private Colonizers.	It was directed that all the MC/NP shall get install individual STPs along the sewerage system for treatment of wastewater discharged by the unauthorized colonies located within MC limits. For the management of solid waste generated by these unauthorized colonies, MC/NP shall make agreement with these unauthorized colonies. Similarly, Development authority (BDA/PUDA) shall pursue the unauthorized colonies/commercial complex existing outside MC areas to install individual STPs and sewerage system for treatment of wastewater and for management of solid waste, the necessary agreement shall be got made with the concerned MC/NP for scientific disposal of solid waste.	It was directed that MC/NP/BDA shall indentify the unauthorized colonies falling under their jurisdiction and action against the same. Further they shall be apprised for making immediate compliance of Solid waste management and liquid waste management.	MC/NP/BDA directed to make compliance b 30.09.2023.

1.8	Removal of Garbage Vulnerable Points	MC/NP were directed to make beautification of all GVPs.	MC Abohar: (32 )-All removed and beautified MC Fazilka: (26) -22 removed and 4 beautified MC Jalalabad: (6)-5 removed and 1 beautified NP Arniwala: (5) - 4 removed and 1 beautified	MC/NP have been directed to remove/beautify the remaining GVPs by 30.09.2023 and maintain the beautified GVPs.
<b>2.0 Plastic Waste Management:</b>				
2.2	Plastic Waste management and Ban on polythene bags / Single Use Plastic.	MC/NP were directed to continue the checking for usage of Plastic Carry Bags/SUP and to make agreement with facility.	MC/NP have informed that regular checking is being done to implement ban of plastic carry bags and single use plastic items in the District. In the financial year 2023, total 15 no. challans have been issued for violation under Plastic Rules and fine has been collected.	MC/NP were directed to carry out further action on the SUP distributors/suppliers along with representative of Punjab Pollution Control Board. DDPO was directed to present the list and progress of selected Plastic waste management projects in villages.
<b>3.0 C &amp; D Waste Management</b>				
3.1.	Arrangements for separate collection of C&D waste to C&D waste deposition point and C&D waste recycling facility.	MC/NP & DDPO were directed to manage the waste as per rules and violators bechallaned.	MC/NPs informed that C & D waste is being managed at C&D collection site and machinery for destruction of waste has been installed. Further, with the crusher machine provided for the reduction of size of aggregates etc. The purpose for recycling has been fulfilled. The	The Chairman intimated that large collection of unauthorized C&D waste has been lying on the major roads of towns of the district and MC/NPs shall impose penalty on the violators, carrying out these activities.

			recycled material from crusher machine is used for construction purposes. In case of additional requirement of recycling proposal for installation of recycling facility be prepared.	
			DDPO informed that C&D waste generated is being used in construction purpose for filling low lying area	
<b>4.0 Bio-Medical Waste Management</b>				
<b>4.1</b>	<b>Wastewater Treatment Plant</b>	CMO, Fazilka was directed to provide the ETPs for the Govt. HCFs.	CMO informed that ETP in Fazilka, Abohar and Jallabad has been provided and ETP in CHC KhuiKhera, Dabwalakalan&SitoGunno is being proposed to be installed. PPCB informed that timelines for installation of ETP for the HCF not having terminal STP is extended for a period upto 30.09.2023	CMO, Fazilka was directed to provide the ETPs for the remaining Govt. HCFs
<b>4.2</b>	<b>Compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 07.01.2022 in OA no. 180 of 2021 titled as " Mukul Kumar vs State of Uttar Pradesh&amp;Ors"</b>	PPCB was directed that in case of any Govt. medical college or other reputed medical college set up in the District, representative of that college be called in the next meeting.	PPCB informed that there is no medical college or other reputed medical college setup in the District.	The Chairperson noted the compliance.
<b>5.0 E-Waste Management</b>				
<b>5.1</b>	<b>E-Waste Collection Centre and</b>	• MC/NP shall channelize ewaste to authorized	PPCB informed that there are 4	MC/NP shall channelize ewaste

	Linkage among stakeholders to channelize e-waste.	recycling facility by 31.05.2023.  • Scheme shall also be prepared for implementation in villages by 31.05.2023.	authorized recycler of e-waste in District Punjab. For which, the agreement is required to be signed by MC/NP for lifting of e-waste.	to authorized recycling facility by 30.09.2023.  Scheme shall also be prepared for implementation in villages by 30.09.2023.
6.1	Procurement of mechanical sweeping machines	MC Fazilka was directed to make mechanical sweeping machine functional	MC Fazilka informed that one mechanical sweeping machine is available requires repairing and tender is being called. MC Jalalabaad and NP Arniwala Informed that there is no requirement of mechanical sweeping machines.	MC Fazilka was directed to make mechanical sweeping machine functional by 30.09.2023. MC Abohar shall procure its mechanical sweeping.
<b>7.0 Water Quality Management</b>				
7.1	Rejuvenation of ground water and setting up of additional water bodies /water harvesting structures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of Rural Development &amp; Panchayat was directed for enhancing the capacity of the existing ponds, water bodies, creation of water harvesting structures in the subwatersheds to the extent possible from excess rain water.</li> <li>MC to ensure rain water harvesting structure in the premises of houses /commercial projects/Public institutions</li> </ul>	DDPO Fazilka informed as under: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AmritSarovar (New village ponds) have been completed in 40 villages from target 75 villages and work is under process in remaining villages.</li> <li>Rain water harvesting structures have been developed in the 50 no. Government schools of the District.</li> <li>De-silting of all the</li> </ol>	It has been directed that Department of Rural Development & Panchayat shall expedite the work of completion of target AmritSarovars in 75 villages and explore further possibilities for enhancing the capacity of the existing ponds, water bodies, creation of water harvesting structures in the subwatersheds.  MC to ensure rain water harvesting structure in the premises of houses /commercial projects/Public

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Department of irrigation was directed to make complinace</li> </ul>	existing 364 ponds of the district have already been done.	<p>Institutions.</p> <p>Department of irrigation to submit proposal to provide recharge well to tap excess run/supply.</p>
7.3	<b>Sewage Treatment Plants</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PWSSB / MC/NP were directed that 13 MLD capacity STP of Fazilka town will be operational by 30.4.2023.</li> <li>For new STP of capacity 7 MLD for Jalalabad town land be made available by MC by 31.05.2023.</li> <li>PWSSB was directed to expedite the work regarding release of funds from Head Office for STP Arniwala</li> </ul>	<p>PWSSB informed that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>STP of capacity 25 MLD of MC, Abohar is in operation.</li> <li>MC Fazilka informed that STP of 13 MLD capacity based on SBR technology has been commissioned.</li> <li>MC Jalalabad has informed that STP of capacity 8 MLD is operational and no land made available by MC for setting up of new STP of capacity 7 MLD at Jalalabd.</li> <li>PWSSB informed that for installation of 2 MLD capacity STP for Arniwala town, funds awaited. DPR will be approved soon.</li> </ul>	<p>MC Jalalabaad has been directed to identify land For installation of new STP of capacity 7 MLD for Jalalabad town by 30.09.2023.</p> <p>PWSSB was directed to expedite the work regarding release of funds from Head Office for STP Arniwala.</p>
7.4	<b>Underground sewerage network</b>	PWSSB was directed that sewerage network for the towns be laid within the time schedule	<p>PWSSB informed that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100% sewerage network for the towns namely Fazilka and Jalalabad is completed.</li> <li>Sewerage network of Abohar will be completed by 30.09.2023.</li> </ul>	PWSSB was directed that sewerage network for the towns be laid within the time schedule.



			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For Arniwala town, DPR for sewerage network has been submitted will be completed after 24 months after the availability of funds.</li> </ul>	
7.5	<b>Reuse of treated effluent through STPs</b>	Department of Soil & Water Conservation was directed to make pipeline operational for utilization of treated water from STP fazilka	<p>SDO, Department of Soil &amp; Water Conservation submitted as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. STP Fazilka : Irrigation system of 8.50 km length laid for old stp And not provided for new STP</li> <li>2. STP Abohar: Pipeline covering area of about 700 hectares will be laid for irrigation with an approx. cost of Rs. 22Crore will be provided by 30.09.2023.</li> <li>3. STP Jalalabad : Irrigation system of 8.22 km length laid</li> </ol>	<p>Department of Soil Conservation was directed to connect the irrigation system with the new STP of Fazilka.</p> <p>Further all MCs directed to utilize the treated effluent of the STPs for various activities such as Sprinkling on roads, construction activities etc.</p>
7.5	<b>Provision of necessary treatment facility in village ponds so that no untreated or polluted water enters into river through drains.</b>	DDPO was directed that the timelines in phased manner for treatment of pond water	DDPO informed that treatment system, to treat the pond water of 83 villages, work of 61 villages have been completed and the treatment of wastewater of the ponds of remaining villages is going on. Further work in other villages	DDPO was directed to ensure the completion of work of treatment facilities in remaining 22 villages shall be completed by 30.09.2023. Further provision of liquid waste treatment facilities in the remaining villages shall be

7.6	<b>Preparation of inventories of Dairy Farms and Gaushallas by MC/NP</b>	MC/NP were directed to explore the possibility for providing separate ETPs by the dairy units or install common ETP for cluster of dairy units. MC/NP also shall take up the matter regarding management of animal dung with PEDDA and sort out the issue.	will be initiated in the phase wise manner. MC/NP have identified dairy farms and gaushallas	carried out in phase wise manner. MC/NP were directed to explore the possibility for providing separate ETPs by the dairy units or install common ETP for cluster of dairy units. MC/NP also shall take up the matter regarding management of animal dung with PEDDA and sort out the issue
7.8	<b>Comprehensive plan to install flow meters at various locations to carry out daily real time monitoring of the city's water supply network. (Directions of Hon'ble NGT in OA no. 496/2016 dated 22.01.2021)</b>	MC/NP were directed to install flow meters at various locations to carry out daily real time monitoring of the city's water supply network.	MC/NP have informed that flow meters at various locations to carry out daily real time monitoring of the city's water supply network will be provided.	MC/NP were directed to install flow meters at various locations to carry out daily real time monitoring of the city's water supply network.
8.0	<b>Mining Activity Management Plan</b>	Department of Mining was directed to go through the order dated 26.02.2021 in OA no. 360 of 2015 in the matter of National Green Tribunal Bar Association V/s Virendra Singh (State of Gujrat) and implement all the directions / guidelines while allowing the operation of mining sites of the District.	SDO drainage Fazilka informed that no mining is being carried out at present.	The Chairperson took the serious view of the illegal mining being carried out in the district and directed SDO drainage Fazilka to keep strict vigilance on the mining activity along Department of Police and shall give his assurance of zero illegal mining in the district.
<b>9.0 Noise Pollution Management Plan</b>				
9.1	<b>Availability of sound/ noise level meters</b>	Department of Police was directed to make compliance. Department of Police / Transport to continue checkings.	Department of Police informed that requirement regarding	The Chairman intimated that many complaints regarding

			procurement of Noise level meters has been send to higher authorities and same will be procured.	noise nuisance in late hours of the day have been received and the Department shall regulate the timings of operation of DJs, music in functions as per Noise Rules, 2000 and shall take strict action against the violators. Further directed to procure noise level meters in time bound Schedule.
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After deliberations in the matter, the Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman directed as under:

1. All stakeholders shall submit their respective revised progress and revised timelines for concerned activities mentioned in the District Environment Plan Fazilka to Punjab Pollution Control Board , Regional Office, Faridkot within immediatly, so as to revise the District Environment Plan for the current financial year.
2. All stakeholders shall adhere to the timelines submitted for completion of respective activities and shall submit progress report to Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Faridkot in first week of every month.
3. DDPO Fazilka and Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation, Abohar shall expedite the work of completion of solid waste management as well liquid waste management in the villages of the District, so as to achieve Open Defecation Free (ODF) status.
4. Additional Deputy Commissioner (General), Fazilka shall physically inspect the progress of solid waste management as well as liquid waste management of MC Fazilka.
5. AC(G), Fazilka shall physically inspect the progress of solid waste management as well as liquid waste management of MC Jalalabaad and NP Arniwala.

  
**Deputy Commissioner,**  
**Fazilka.**