

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS  
LOK SABHA**

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IMPACT OF INCREASED POLLUTION ON ENVIRONMENT  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of States in the country where the dust particles are creating havoc by way of loss of life, property and crops worth crores of rupees;
- (b) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Union Government to check further degradation of environment due to sharp increase in the dust particles for the last many years which has affected the fertility of land thereby making it barren;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken/to be taken to combat the situation; and
- (d) the preventive measures taken to check the pollution created by the cement factories in Narsinghgarh of Madhya Pradesh?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Based on the ambient air quality data under the National Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Programme (1995-2003), Central Pollution Control Board, in coordination with the State Pollution Control Boards, has identified 65 cities in the country having higher levels of air pollution than the stipulated norms. A State-wise list is annexed.

(b)&(c) To check the levels of dust pollution, the following steps have been taken :

(i) Central Pollution Control Board has circulated format/guidelines to all the State Pollution Control Boards/Committees for formulation of Action Plans as per the guidelines, which include -

- Identification of sources of air pollution.
- Assessment of pollution load.
- Preparation of city-wise Action Plan for control of pollution from the identified sources.
- Set up inter-agency task force for the implementation of the Action Plan.

(ii) Pursuant to the Hon`ble Supreme Court`s orders, Environment (Pollution and Prevention Control) Authority has submitted Action Plans along with its comments to Hon`ble Supreme Court in respect of seven cities.

(iii) A Workshop has been organized for monitoring the inventory of air pollution to facilitate State Pollution Control Boards for the preparation of Action Plans.

(d) As per the information provided by Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board, in the Narsinghgarh area, there is one cement plant namely, M/s. Diamond Cement Plant. The industry has installed air pollution control devices at all the places where the dust is expected to be generated.

**ANNEXURE**

List of non-attainment cities in India (Based on Ambient Air Quality Data 1995-2003)

S.No. States/Union Territory City Major Sources of Pollution Pollutants of Concern

1. Andhra Pradesh Hyderabad Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Visakhapatnam Vehicles, industries NO<sub>2</sub>, RSPM, SPM

2. Assam Guwahati Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM
3. Bihar Patna Vehicles, Natural Dust RSPM, SPM
4. Chandigarh Chandigarh Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM
5. Chattisgarh Bhilai Industries RSPM, SPM  
Korba Industries RSPM, SPM  
Raipur Vehicles RSPM, SPM
6. Delhi Delhi Vehicles NO2, RSPM, SPM
- 7 Goa Panaji Industries, Vehicles SPM
8. Gujarat Ahmedabad Vehicles, Industries SO2, RSPM, SPM  
Ankleshwar Industries SO2, RSPM, SPM  
Jamnagar Industries, Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Rajkot Vehicles, Natural Dust SO2, RSPM, SPM  
Surat Industries, Vehicles SO2, RSPM, SPM  
Vadodara Vehicles, Industries SO2, RSPM, SPM  
Vapi Industries RSPM, SPM
9. Haryana Faridabad Vehicles, Industries SPM  
Yamuna Nagar Industries, Vehicles SPM
10. Himachal Pradesh Damtal Natural Dust SPM  
Paonta Sahib Natural Dust SPM  
Parwanoo Industries, Natural Dust RSPM, SPM  
Shimla Natural Dust SPM
11. Jharkhand Dhanbad Industries SO2, NO2, SPM  
Jamshepur Industries NO2, SPM  
Jharia Industries, Natural Dust SPM
12. Karnataka Bangalore Vehicles RSPM, SPM
13. Kerala Kottayam Vehicles RSPM  
Kochi Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Thiruvananthapuram Vehicles RSPM
14. Madhya Pradesh Bhopal Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Indore Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Jabalpur Vehicles NO2, RSPM, SPM  
Nagda Industries SO2, RSPM, SPM  
Satna Industries RSPM, SPM
15. Maharashtra Chandrapur Industries RSPM, SPM  
Mumbai Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Pune Vehicles NO2, RSPM, SPM  
Nagpur Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Nashik Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Solapur Vehicles, Natural Dust RSPM, SPM
16. Meghalaya Shillong Vehicles RSPM
17. Orissa Angul Vehicles, Industries, Nat. Dust RSPM, SPM  
Rayagada Industries RSPM  
Rourkela Industries RSPM, SPM
18. Punjab Gobindgarh Industries RSPM, SPM  
Ludhiana Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Jalandhar Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM
19. Rajasthan Alwar Vehicles, Natural Dust NO2, RSPM, SPM  
Jaipur Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Jodhpur Natural Dust RSPM, SPM  
Kota Vehicles, Industries NO2, RSPM, SPM  
Udaipur Vehicles, Natural Dust NO2, RSPM, SPM
20. Tamil Nadu Chennai Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Madurai Vehicles RSPM, SPM
21. Uttar Pradesh Agra Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Anpara Industries RSPM  
Kanpur Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Lucknow Vehicles RSPM, SPM  
Gajraula Industries RSPM, SPM  
Noida Vehicles, Nat. Dust, Industries RSPM, SPM  
Varanasi Vehicles, Natural Dust RSPM, SPM
22. Uttaranchal Dehradun Vehicles, Natural Dust RSPM, SPM
23. West Bengal Kolkata Vehicles, Industries RSPM, SPM, NO2  
Howrah Vehicles, Industries SO2, NO2, RSPM, SPM