

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EARTH SCIENCES
LOK SABHA**

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SAFAR AIR
Singh Shri Parvesh Sahib

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which SAFAR-air is going to be monitored for the veracity of the data it provides; and
- (b) the details of the frequency of the status updates thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY)

(a) The SAFAR-Air is launched on 17th February 2015. The SAFAR provides site specific information on Air Quality in near real time and its forecast for the next 24 hours for Delhi and Pune.

The SAFAR-Air monitoring and prediction is being done with the network of monitoring stations in and around national capital Delhi and Pune. The data quality is controlled and the project SAFAR is ISO 9001-2008 accredited and recognized by World Meteorological Organisation (GURME Programme) that establishes the credibility and the veracity of data.

(b) The frequency of status update is hourly.