

Minutes of the meeting held on 3/10/2018 under the Chairmanship of Member Secretary, PPCB regarding draft Action Plan to Control the Pollution in River Ghaggar in compliance to order of Hon'ble NGT in the matter of OA No. 138 of 2016 (TNHRC) and OA No. 139 of 2016.

List of officers attended the meeting is enclosed as **Annexure-I**.

After a brief introduction with the representatives of the various departments, the Member Secretary, PPCB welcomed all the participants and briefed them about the orders of Hon'ble NGT, New Delhi passed on 7/8/2018 in the OA no. 138 of 2016 (TNHRC) and OA No. 139 of 2016 (TNHRC). Subsequently, constitution of Executing Committee under the Chairmanship of Justice Pritam Pal, Former Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court. The participants were apprised about the decisions taken in the 1st and 2nd meetings of Executing Committee held on 31/08/2018 and 11/09/2018. It was also informed that a draft Action Plan has been prepared by Punjab Pollution Control Board incorporating the available data with the Board which was forwarded to the concerned departments with the request to submit inputs / comments w.r.t. sources of water pollution and the time bound action plan of their departments to tackle such sources discharging into River Ghaggar. He further informed that this meeting has convened to get the inputs/ comments and time bound action plan to be incorporated in the draft action plan before sending the final draft action plan to Hon'ble Chief Secretary, Punjab for its approval. Thereafter, the matter was discussed with the concerned departments as under:

Sub Divisional Officer, Department of Drainage informed that they have already identified all points / sources entering into River Ghaggar directly or indirectly from the point where the River Ghaggar enters the boundary of the Punjab and upto the point where it leaves the boundary of the Punjab. He further informed that this complete information will be submitted to the Board within a day.

Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Zirakpur was asked to submit the status report pertaining to the untapped points from where the untreated wastewater is being discharged into Sukhna Choe leading to River Ghaggar. The EO, Zirakpur informed that the status report alongwith time bound action plan to divert all the untapped sources of wastewater to the STP, shall be submitted within two days.

The representative of the Department of Rural & Panchayat informed that he is not having the data regarding the villages discharging their domestic effluent into Dhabi Nala. He further informed that this data will be arranged shortly and will be submitted to the Board within 2 days. It was made clear to him that the issue is under the active consideration of Hon'ble NGT and also the matter is being monitored regularly by the Executing Committee constituted by the Hon'ble NGT. So, the issues relating to the Cleaning of River Ghaggar be taken seriously.

Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board discussed the status report of the STPs in all the towns located in the catchment area of River Ghaggar, installed by the PWSSB. She further informed that efforts are being made to install the remaining STPs wherever required. She also informed that the wastewater of MC Amloh is also discharged into Sirhind Choe. She submitted that the detailed report with time bound action plan including proposal of upgradation of STPs based on WSP will be submitted to the Board within 2-days.

Executive Engineer, GMADA discussed the status report pertaining to the identification of the drain or any untapped points carrying wastewater into N.Choe. He was also asked to submit the report pertaining to the upgradation of STP based on UASB technology installed at Mohali and prepare time bound action plan for utilizing the treated wastewater in the green parks of Mohali.

The representative of Department of Soil & Conservation informed that the department has already laid down pipe line at Banur for utilization of treated wastewater for irrigation purposes. He also informed that 2 km long pipe line has been laid in Rajpura for carrying the treated wastewater for irrigation purposes. He also pointed out that to make regular flow for irrigation purposes a storage tank of adequate capacity is required to be installed for storing treated water of STPs and this issue be looked after at the designing stage of STP. He was asked to submit the proposal to his Higher Authority under intimation to the Board for laying of pipe line at Zirakpur for utilizing treated wastewater from STP for irrigation purposes.

The representative of Central Ground Water Board submitted that the efforts should be done by the Govt. to reuse the treated wastewater for irrigation purposes so as to decrease the extraction of groundwater. He further informed that they have got the underground water quality data with them which will be submitted to the Board for incorporating in the draft action plan.

After detailed deliberations, the following decisions were taken:

1. The Department of Drainage shall identify all points / sources entering into River Ghaggar directly or indirectly (from the point where the River Ghaggar enter the boundary of the Punjab and upto the point where it leaves the boundary of the Punjab) and submit the complete information to the Board within one day.
2. Municipal Council, Zirakpur shall submit the status report pertaining to the un-trapped points from where the untreated wastewater is being discharged into Sukhna Choe leading to River Ghaggar and will submit time bound action plan to divert all the un-trapped sources of wastewater, to the STP within two days.
3. Department of Rural & Panchayat shall identify the villages discharging their domestic effluent into River Ghaggar directly or indirectly and shall submit the report to the Board alongwith the action plan for treatment of the wastewater before its disposal within 2-days.

4. Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board shall submit the status report regarding operational and installation of STPs in all the towns located in the catchment area of River Ghaggar. The Deptt. will also submit the time bound action plan for installing the remaining STPs as well as the upgradation of existing STPs/WSP within 2-days.
5. GMADA shall identify the drain or any other un-trapped points carrying wastewater into N.Choe and shall also submit the report pertaining to the upgradation of STP based on UASB technology installed at Mohali. It will also submit the time bound action plan for utilizing the treated wastewater in the green parks of Mohali.
6. Department of Soil & Conservation shall submit the detailed status and time bound action plan for laying the pipe for utilization of treated wastewater from STP's onto land for irrigation within 2 days. The issue regarding provision of treated water storage tank near the STP for maintaining the regular flow of wastewater for irrigation, be discussed with the PWSSB by the department, so as to make rectifications in future designs.
7. Central Ground Water Board will submit the underground water quality data available with it to the Board within 2 days for incorporating in the draft action plan.

The Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.

Annexure-I

S.N.	Name of the Official Designation/ Department
1	Sh. Pardeep Gupta, Chief Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board. Head Office, Patiala.
2	Sh. Gulshan Rai, Chief Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board. Patiala.
3	Sh. Tejinder Kumar, Senior Environmental Engineer (HQ-1), Punjab Pollution Control Board. Head Office, Patiala.
4	Sh. Surjit Singh Dhaliwal, Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board. Head Office, Patiala.
5	Sh. Surinder Singh Matharu, Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board. Regional Office, Patiala.
6	Smt. Jiwan Jot Kaur, PCS, Department of Local Govt.
7	Sh. Nirmal Singh, SDO, Department of Drainage, Patiala
8	Sh. Paramjit Singh, Department of Rural Development & Panchayat, Patiala
9	Sh. Varinder Kumar, A.M.E, Municipal Council, Zirakpur.
10	Sh. Jatinder Singh, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Zirakpur.
11	Sh. Ashok Kumar, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Lalru.
12	Sh. M.L Angurala, Hydrogeologist, Department of CGWB, Chandigarh
13	Smt. Mandeep Kaur, Soil Conservator Officer, Department of Soil & Water Conservation.

- 14 Sh. Ravinder Singh Gill,
Sub Divisional Soil Conservator Officer,
Department of Soil & Water Conservation, Patiala.
- 15 Sh. Vasudev Anand,
Executive Engineer,
GMADA.
- 16 Smt. Lata Chauhan,
Executive Engineer,
Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board.



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Dated

To

- 1) The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Govt.
Chandigarh
- 2) The Chief Executive Officer,
Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board,
Plot no. 1-B, Sector 27-A,
Madhya Marg, Chandigarh
- 3) The Chief Administrator,
Greater Mohali Area Development Authority,
Room no. 202, PUDA Bhawan, S.A.S Nagar
- 4) The Director,
Rural Development & Panchayats,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar
- 5) The Member Secretary,
Haryana State Pollution Control Board,
C-11, Sector-6, Panchkula-134109,
Haryana
- 6) The Member Secretary,
Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee,
Chandigarh
- 7) The Chief Engineer (Drainage),
Deptt. of Irrigation, Punjab,
Chandigarh
- 8) The Director, Water Quality,
Department of Water Supply & Sanitation,
Phase-II, Near Bassi Theatre, SAS Nagar
- 9) The Chief Conservator of Soil,
Deptt. of Soil and Water Conservation,
SCO50-51, Sector -17-E, Chandigarh
- 10) The Regional Director,
Central Ground Water Board,
North Western Region, Bhujal Bhawan,
Plot No. 3A, Sector 27-B, Chandigarh
- 11) The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Zirakpur
- 12) The Executive Officer,
Nagar Panchayat, Lalru

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Further, the compliance report as per the assurances given by the representative of the aforementioned departments has not been received so far. You are, therefore, once again requested to submit the compliance of the decisions taken by the Competent Authority through e mail at seehq1ppcb@yahoo.com .

Member Secretary.

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Hon'ble Justice Pritam Pal, Former Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Tower No. 5, 4th floor, Forest Complex, Sector 68, SAS Nagar his kind information please.

Member Secretary.