

## **FOREWORD**

Need of action plan is justified to control pollution in any area where pollution sources are identified, pollutants are measured, assessed and found exceeding permissible limits. To implement such action plans is a duty of any SPCB and all concerned agencies/stakeholders.

After declaration of critically polluted areas by OMs dated 13.1.2010 and 15.3.2010 of MoEF, GOI and imposing temporary moratorium for a period upto August 2010, the action plans for these specified areas (industrial clusters) are desired by the CPCB and MoEF, GOI.

In Gujarat, six areas – Ankleshwar, Vapi, Ahmedabad, Vatva, Bhavnagar and Junagadh – are identified by above OMs as critically polluted. GPCB started quick actions, expanded its infrastructure, decided and declared main points to control pollution at source, prepared action plans including these points and finalized the same in consultation with main stakeholders and issued necessary directions. These action plans were sent to MoEF on 19.4.2010. Meanwhile, by letters dated 19.4.2010 and 18.5.2010, CPCB suggested TOR to make the action plans. Accordingly the action plans are revised.

Consultative meetings were held with various stakeholders including the industries associations, CETP/TSDF operators, NGOs, CPCB and GIDC authorities, who have helped to improve the action plans.

We are hopeful that this will serve the purpose and help various agencies/ authorities to implement and monitor the action plans for the six industrial clusters/ areas of the state.

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