



To,

1. All Administrative Secretaries in the Punjab.
2. Addl. IGP Traffic, Punjab.
3. All the Commissioners in Punjab.
4. All the Deputy Commissioners in Punjab.

Subject:- **DECLARATION OF SMOG AS CALAMITY AND NECESSARY ACTIONS FOR MITIGATION OF SMOG**

Kindly refer to the subject noted above and Government of the Punjab Notification No. Smog-2020/10/Coord-1, dated 14-10-2020 wherein Smog has been declared as "Calamity" under Section 3 of the Punjab National Calamities (Prevention and Relief) Act, 1958 in the entire Province of Punjab (copy attached). Honorable Lahore High Court during hearing on 01.11.2023 has ordered to declare Smog as Calamity. Therefore, above referred orders are hereby being shared again for your convenience and to ensure enforcement. All the following activities causing or leading to smog formation have been banned across the province. The Deputy Commissioners have been delegated the powers of the Relief Commissioner to take all necessary measures to control and mitigate smog (Copy Attached):-

- i. Burning of any type of crop residue.
- ii. Vehicles emitting visible smoke and pollutants falling into inadmissible limits.
- iii. All industries working without emission control system contributing deterioration in Air Quality Index.
- iv. All stone crushers operating without wet scrubbers.
- v. Burning of all types of solid waste, tyres, rubber and plastics.
- vi. Sale and use of all types of sub-standard fuels.
- vii. All types of encroachments which cause hindrance in the smooth flow of traffic on public roads including footpaths.
- viii. Any kind of parking which may cause hindrance in the smooth flow of traffic.
- ix. All types of activities without proper safeguard which contribute in generating fugitive dust.
- x. Uncovered and open dumping/storage of construction material.
- xi. Uncovered transportation of construction material like sand, mud and cement.
- xii. Any unauthorized activity which may cause pollution.

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1. PSO to SMBR/Relief Commissioner, Punjab, Lahore
2. PS to Director General, PDMA, Punjab, Lahore.
3. Secretary, Judicial Water and Environment Commission, Lahore