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Dear Colleagues,

*Greetings!*

Greetings from NCDC, Delhi !

As highlighted in the recent D.O. letter D.O.No.70/NGDC/CEOH&CCHI2018-29 I AP\_Advisory, dated 01 November 2025 from the Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, air pollution continues to pose a significant health challenge, particularly during the winter months when Air Quality Index (AQI) levels often reach poor to severe categories. The Ministry has consistently emphasized the need for preparedness and response under the National Programme on Climate Change and Human Health (NPCCHH).

As you are aware, air pollution has been identified as a priority thematic area under NPCCHH, and States have already developed State Action Plans for Climate Change and Human Health (SAPCCHH), which include strategies for addressing air pollution. Districts are also in the process of developing District Action Plan on Climate Change and Human Health including a chapter on Air Pollution Related Illnesses.

To further strengthen health sector activities in this area, NPCCHH has developed a "Guidance Note on Strengthening Health services for Air Pollution related illnesses through Chest Clinics". The aim of this guidance note is to streamline service delivery within health facilities by providing a structured approach for screening, diagnosis, and management of air pollution-related illnesses. It also facilitates integration with existing programmes such as NP-NCD and TB control, ensuring continuity of care.

This guidance note outlines practical steps for setting up Chest Clinics at District Hospitals, and Medical Colleges, particularly in NCAP cities, during high pollution periods. It includes standard formats for screening, reporting, and linkage with community-level follow-up mechanisms.

Together, let us strengthen our health system to provide better services.

With regards,

Yours Sincerely

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