

# "Ozone Day" celebration on 16th September.

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Subject: Re: "Ozone Day" celebration on 16th September.

#### Sir/Madam

with reference to the trailing mail, kindly find the attachment herewith.

From: "Eco club delhi" <ecoclub.delhi@gov.in>

Sent: Monday, September 14, 2020 1:32:13 PM Subject: "Ozone Day" celebration on 16th September.

Sir/Madam

Kindly find the attachment regarding "Ozone Day" celebration on 16th September.

### Regards,

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# Department of Environment Government of NCT of Delhi 6th Level, C-Wing, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, New Delhi- 110002

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Dated: 14/09/2020

To

The Heads of Eco-Club Schools, Govt. Of NCT of Delhi

Sub: -Celebration of the World Ozone Day 2020 -reg.

As you are aware, the world ozone day to be celebrated on 16<sup>th</sup> September of every year. The theme for this year celebration given by United Nation Environmental Programme (UNEP) is "Ozone for life: 35 years of ozone layer protection". This year due to COVID-19 pandemic, we to celebrate the day amongst the Ecoclub schools and colleges students through virtual mode.

Similar communication has been received from Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Government of India (Copy Enclosed). Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs) such as Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs); Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs); Carbon tetra chloride (CTC) and Halon have deteriorating effect on atmosphere and living beings.

May I, therefore, request you to kindly conduct the awareness programme/activities through online poster making and quiz contest amongst the students and to encourage them at your level to adopt some of the following activities in daily life:

- Buy air-conditioning and refrigeration equipment that do not use HCFCs as refrigerant.
- Avoid buying and using aerosols and spray having CFC.
- Discourage driving of private vehicles.
- Use alternatives means of transport like buses, carpool, bicycles and walking.
- Conduct regular inspection and maintenance of air conditioning and refrigeration appliances to prevent and minimize refrigerant leakage.
- When motor vehicle air-conditioners Need to servicing, make sure that the refrigerant are properly recovered and recycled instead of being vented to the atmosphere.
- Utilizing environmental friendly cleaning products.
- Prohibiting the use of Nitrous Oxide.

It would be highly appreciated if the report in respect of celebration of the World Ozone Day by your school with students (via virtual mode) may be submitted by email at ecoclub.delhi@gov.in.

Yours Sincerely,

(Arun Mishra)

Spl. Secretary (Env.)

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28th August, 2020

Dear Shri Khirwar,

D.O. No. 12/2/2020/PMU-OC

India is a Party to the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer and all its amendments. India has been successfully implementing the phase-out programme for Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs) in the country.

2. The United Nations General Assembly on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 1995 adopted resolution 49/114, which proclaims 16<sup>th</sup> September as the World Ozone Day, commemorating the date on which Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer was signed in 1987. The World Ozone Day offers an opportunity to focus global attention and action on this vital environmental issue.

The theme for the celebration of this year's World Ozone Day to be marked on 16th September is "Ozone for life: 35 years of ozone layer protection" and celebrate 35 years of the Vienna Convention and 35 years of global ozone layer protection. The slogan of the day, 'Ozone for life', reminds us that not only is ozone crucial for life on Earth, but that we must continue to protect the ozone layer for future generations. The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer has so far been successful in phasing out 99% of ODSs globally. As a result, the abundance of ODSs in the atmosphere is declining and a recent study has indicated that the ozone layer is recovering. Due to the significant reduction of ODSs globally and the starting of recovery of the Ozone Layer, the Montreal Protocol has been recognized as the most successful environment treaty, globally. The Protocol has been universally ratified by all 197 member countries of United Nations.

4. India has been successfully implementing the phase-out program for ODSs in the country, wherein, inter alia Chlorofluorocarbon (CFC), Carbon tetrachloride (CTC) and Halons have been phased out. Presently, Hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFC) Phase-out Management Plan (HPMP) Stage II is under implementation. HCFC Phase-out in India has been ahead in meeting the compliance schedule of the Montreal Protocol. As part of the Government's commitment for moving towards environment friendly technologies the issuance of import license for HCFC-141b has been prohibited from 1st January, 2020

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under Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Amendment Rules, 2019 issued under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. HCFC-141b is one of the most potent ozone depleting chemical after CFCs and is used mainly as a blowing agent in the production of rigid polyurethane (PU) foams. HCFC 141b is not produced in the country and all the domestic requirements are met through imports. With this notification, prohibiting the import of HCFC 141b, the country has completely phased out the important ozone depleting chemical. Simultaneously, the use of HCFC 141b by foam manufacturing industry has also been closed as on 1st January, 2020 under the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Amendment Rules, 2014. Towards meeting the compliance target the Ozone Cell, MoEF&CC is providing technical and financial assistance to foam manufacturing enterprises for conversion to HCFC-141b free low global warming potential technologies.

- 5. The awareness among the stakeholders including industries and the general public play a vital role in phase-out of ODSs and protection of the Ozone Layer. In this year of the coronavirus pandemic, the World Ozone Day may be observed by following the government guidelines and maintaining social distancing. It would facilitate the creation of greater awareness among the people to protect the Ozone Layer. An indicative list of themes for online activities/ awareness generation is given at Annexure.
- 6. We would be grateful, if you could kindly arrange to initiate action for observance of the World Ozone Day. The State Government may like to inform the Ozone Cell, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change about the activities organized on World Ozone Day, so that the same may be documented and appropriately disseminated.

Regards Yours sincerely, Gerta Menan

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## ANNEXURE

# INDICATIVE LIST OF THEMES FOR ONLINE ACTIVITIES (VIRTUAL MODE) / AWARENESS GENERATION

- (a) Organizing interaction with industry to promote reduction and elimination of the chemicals that destroy the ozone layer; persuade them to pledge to use only ozone-friendly chemicals in future;
- (b) Encouraging industry, consumers, trade associations and consumer associations to take the pledge not to import or export Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs) or equipment whose functioning relies on such substances;
- (c) Campaigns to make every citizen, office and industry ozone-friendly by using or making only ozone friendly products;
- (d) Promoting awareness among school children through virtual mode;
- (e) Publishing articles in the print media to highlight the availability of ozone safe products;
- (f) Holding scientific and technical webinars on ways and means of protecting the Ozone Layer;