

Clean Air Horizons 2026

Achieving India's clean air ambition

07 & 08 September 2026 | 09:30 to 20:00 IST | India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

Agenda Day 1

Silver Oak

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| 0930–1030 | Registration and Tea |
| 1030–1145 | Inaugural Address
Sardar Manjinder Singh Sirsa , Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Government of NCT of Delhi
Shri Ashish Sood , Hon'ble Minister for Power, Government of NCT of Delhi*
Shri Mahesh Singh Nimesh , Chief Engineer, Municipal Corporation of Delhi
Shri Tushar D. Sumera , Municipal Commissioner, Rajkot Municipal Corporation
Mr James Abraham , Chief Executive Officer, CEEW
Ms Prarthana Borah , Fellow-Team Lead, CEEW |
| 1145–1200 | Zero Waste School Programme: Video Screening
Report Launch: Waste Manual and Clean Cooking |
| 1200–1300 | Plenary 1 AI for Clean Air: Faster and better AQ management

Speakers -
Dr Santosh Harish , Senior Program Officer, Coefficient Giving
Dr Sachin D Ghude , Scientist F, IITM Pune
Ms Kriti Mittal , Associate Director, eGov Foundation
Dr Rijurekha Sen , Associate Professor, IIT Delhi
Mr Alok Talekar , Software Engineer, Google Research
Dr Nipun Batra , Associate Professor, IIT Gandhinagar

Moderator - Dr Mohammad Rafiuddin , Programme Lead, CEEW

<i>Session partner - IIT Gandhinagar</i> |
| 1300–1400 | Networking Lunch |
| 1400–1500 | Plenary 2 Promoting electric cooking in low-income households

Speakers -

Dr Nick Rousseau , International Liaison Manager, MECS (Video Note)
Mr Sunil Mani , Policy Advisor, IISD
Mr Munish Sharma , Head of Group: ESG, BSES - BRPL
Ms Purva Jain , Lead Energy Specialist, Gas and International Advocacy, IEEFA
Mr Adesh Saxena , Head – International & Appliances Division, EESL

Moderator - Ms Disha Agarwal , Fellow, CEEW |

**Invited*



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1500–1600 Voices from the Ground

Speakers -

Mr Lakshman Singh, Assistant General Manager, C&D recycling facility, Excel Partners

Ms Jagpreet Kaur, Principal, Guru Nanak Khalsa Girls Sr Sec School

Ms Lokesh S., Executive Director, Centre for Education and Communication

Mr Navdeep Singh, Founder, Major Biofuel & progressive farmer, Punjab

Moderator - Ms Priyanka Singh, Senior Programme Lead, CEEW

1600–1630 High Tea

1630–1730 Plenary 3 | Clean Air, Shared Responsibility: The Role of Indian Businesses

Speakers -

Mr Nikhil Anand Khurana, Chairman, Folks Corporation

Mr Susmit Datta, Partner, Intellectap

Mr Manoj Gupta, CEO, Ecofuel EV Charging Technologies, JBM Group

Mr Sanjay Varshney, Executive Director/COO, Signature Group

Mr Mahadevan Nambiar, Public Policy Manager & Lead, Uber

Moderator - Ms Prarthana Borah, Fellow-Team Lead, CEEW

Session partner - Intellectap

1730–1830 Voice, Visibility and Vision: Clean Air, Young Ideas

Speakers -

Ms Aditi Agarwal, Curator, Global Shapers New Delhi Hub

Mr Ravi Kaushik, CEO, Airth

Dr Asutosh Acharya, Chief Climate Scientist, Aurassure

Moderator - Mr Abhishek Dhiman, Programme Lead, CEEW

1830 onwards Networking Dinner

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0930–1030 Registration and Tea



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1200–1300 Schools for Circular Labs: Empowering Students as Environmental Stewards through Education and Action

Speakers -

Mr Rishi Arora, Director, Piramal School of Leadership, Piramal Foundation

Ms Aishvarya Rashmi, Senior Manager, Regional Partnerships, Teach For India

Mr Nitesh Chandrakar, Sector portfolio manager, Urban and Waste management, AFD

Mr Sujit Panigarhi, Founder, Sequoia Fitness and Sports Technology

Student from Zero Waste Schools Programme

Moderator - Ms Priyanka Sinqngh, Senior Programme Lead, CEEW

1300–1400 Networking Lunch

1400–1500 VayuChat: Simplifying Air Quality Data Analytics | Hands-on Demonstration Session

Speakers-

Dr Nipun Batra, Associate Professor, IIT Gandhinagar

Dr Mohammad Rafiuddin, Programme Lead, CEEW

Session partner - IIT Gandhinagar

1500–1630 Air: The Missing Link in MSME Transition

Speakers -

Ms Sharlene Jehanbux Chichgar, Senior Environmental Specialist, World Bank

Mr Anil Bharadwaj, Secretary General, Federation of Indian MSMEs

Ms Neha Kumar, Head, South Asia Programme, Climate Bonds Initiative

Ms Pooja Lahri, Executive Director, Primus Partners

Mr Rajiv K Chawla, Chairman, IamSMEofIndia

Dr Manish Kumar, Director, Sustainable Bharat Foundation

Ms Pallavi Ahuja, India Lead, SME Climate Hub

Mr Gautam Aneja, Manager, Amar Industries, MSME owner

Ms Vrinda Sarda, Associate Director (Energy Transition), Vasudha Foundation

Mr Nimish Singh, Director, Gateway Research Institute, Institute for Governance & Sustainable Development (IGSD)

Mr Ravinder Yadav, AGM - Cluster Development Expert, Foundation for MSME Clusters

Mr Abhishek Naga, DGM, Foundation for MSME Clusters

Mr Abhishek Jani, CEO, Fairtrade

Mr Sagar Jain, Senior Consultant, GDi Partners

Mr Mohit Patil, Senior Consultant, FICCI

Mr Mukul Kumar, Associate Fellow, Gateway Research Institute, Institute for Governance & Sustainable Development (IGSD)



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Moderators - Ms Prarthana Borah, Fellow-Team Lead, CEEW and **Mr Pradeep Narayan**, Director, Partners in Change

Session partner - Partners in Change (PiC)

1630–1730 Can EV mandates in Natural and Manmade destinations spur the economy

Speakers -

Mr Amit Bhatt, Managing Director, ICCT India

Dr Debolina Kundu, Director, NIUA

Dr Parul Munjal, Conservation Architect, DRONAH

Prof. Nitika Bhakuni, Sr. Associate Professor, Faculty of Planning, CEPT University

Mr Parin Visariya, Program Manager, ITDP India

Dr D.C.Soni, Nodal Officer, IITM Noida

Moderator - Dr Himani Jain, Fellow, CEEW

Session partner - CEPT University

Agenda Day 2

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0930–1000 Registration and Tea

1000–1100 Special opening session: Integrated Climate and Clean Air Action

Speakers -

Dr Nathan Borgford-Parnell, Science Affairs Lead, Climate and Clean Air Coalition

Dr Manjyot Kaur Ahluwalia, Regional Lead Asia, Global Methane Hub

Ravi Shankar Prasad, Distinguished Fellow, CEEW

**1100–1200 Plenary 4 | Circular solutions for clean air in cities
*An official World Circular Economy Forum Side Event***

Speakers -

Ms Swati Singh Sambyal, Principal Expert (Pollution), GRID-Arendal

Dr Indrajit Ghosh, Global Chairman, MSME Chambers of Commerce and Industry

Mr Deepten Chatterjee, Head of Corporate Affairs and Government Relations for South Asia, Tetrapak

Prof. Vivek Kumar, Professor, CRDT IIT Delhi

Ms Neha Agarwal, Founder and CEO, Lightrroad

Moderator - Ms Priyanka Singh, Senior Programme Lead, CEEW



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1200–1300 Plenary 5 | Scaling clean air solutions: From Blueprint to Breath

Speakers -

Mr Varun Karad, CEO and Founder, REnergy Dynamics

Mr Pawan Raj Kumar, Partner, Zeca Capital

Ms Tanushree Ganguly, Consultant - Programme Advisor, Coefficient Giving

Dr Sri Harsha Kota, Professor, IIT Delhi

Mr Shubham Tandon, Program Officer, UNDP India

Moderator - Ms Kurinji Kemanth, Programme Lead, CEEW

1300–1400 Networking Lunch

1400–1500 Global Carbon and Local Air: What ESG Reporting is missing

Speakers -

Ms Neha Bhatnagar, Consultant, IVCA and Board of Advisors, Aspire Impact

Mr Kartikeya Desai, Founder and CEO, Desai and Associates

Mr Gourav Chutani, Lead Corporate Sustainability, DCM Shriram LTD

Dr Garima Dadhich, Associate Professor & Head- Business Environment, Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs

Mr Gaurav Sarup, Chief Sustainability Officer and Deputy Head - HSE, Vedanta Group

Mr Ashish Kulkarni, Partner and Director, Boston Consulting Group

Moderator - Ms Prarthana Borah, Fellow-Team Lead, CEEW

1500–1545 The Uneven Air: Centring Gender and Inclusion in Air Quality Governance

Speakers -

Dr Animesh Ghosh, Programme Analyst - Gender Responsive Budgeting, UN Women India

Smt. Garima Sharma, Scientist E & Assistant Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)

Dr Lovleen Gupta, Associate Professor, Delhi Technological University

Dr Niharika Tyagi, Gender Equity, Disability and Social Inclusion Expert- UKPACT, CEEW

Moderator - Mr Ganesh Dileep, Chief of Staff, CEEW

Session partner - Women in Air Quality South Asia (WAQSA)

1545-1600 Tea Break

1600–1645 From Awareness to Action: Youth, Cities and Cross-Sector Partnerships for Scaling India's Clean Air Mission

Speakers -

Mr Tamseel Husain, Founder, PLUC



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Ms Namita Gupta, Founder, Airveda

Ms Sherebanu Frosh, Programme Manager, Raahgiri Foundation

Mr Aditya Sharma, Co-founder and Secretary General, Nexus Council for Policy & Development (Video note)

Ms Anumita Roychowdhury, Executive Director of Research and Advocacy, Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)

Ms Kunalika Gautam, Youth Engagement Lead, CEEW

Moderator - Ms Purvi Narayan, Founder, Nexus Council for Policy & Development

Session partner - GoSharpner and Nexus Council for Policy and Development

1645–1700 Closing ceremony

Magnolia

0930–1000 Registration and Tea

1100–1200 Behavioural Solutions for Clean Air

Speakers -

Mr Nirat Bhatnagar, Founder, Atlas of Behaviour Change in Development (ABCD)

Ms Laavni Kumar, Research Analyst, Atlas of Behaviour Change in Development (ABCD)

Ms Sonali Bhasin, Associate Strategy Director, Purpose

Mr Ayushman Saboo, Research Analyst, CEEW

Session partner - The Atlas of Behaviour Change in Development (ABCD)

1200–1300 Cleaning the air through ecological restoration: Greening Indian cities and towns

Speakers -

Mr Depinder Kapur, Head, Climate Centre for Cities (C-Cube), National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)

Ms Archana Chatterjee, Programme Manager, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) India

Dr Usha Mina, Professor, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU)

Mr Prashant Rajagopal, Deputy Inspector General of Forests, National Afforestation and Eco-Development Board (NAEB)

Ms Nidhi Batra, Lead - Biodiversity Conservation and Blue Economy, AFD India

Moderator - Ms Prarthana Borah, Fellow-Team Lead, CEEW

Session partner - International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

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1500–1645

Implementing SWM Rules for Bulk Waste Generators (BWG)

A Closed-door Workshop with officials from the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD)

Session partner - Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD)