

ACTION AGENDA 6 Alert for smog!

A smog alert system for Delhi

There are days when stirring out of the house could be hazardous for your health. If you have a respiratory or heart disorder. So how does one find out whether it is safe to go out?

Smog alerts in Delhi are one way of handling the problem. This will tell you on a daily basis:

- the quality of the air in your locality
- make air quality monitoring an exercise relevant to your health
- force the government to maintain a daily air pollution index describing air quality
- tell you when it's safe to go out

But the Indian Government publishes historical data.

Making it an academic exercise. This has no relevance to your health.

In other countries like the US and UK it is normal practice to use an air pollution index to describe daily air quality.

This is done for the safety of the residents.

But some officials believe it's safe to breathe in Delhi