



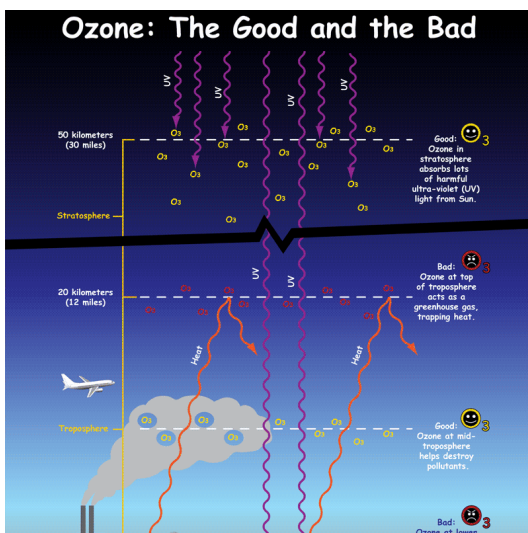
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Educating & Informing Stakeholders on Energy, Environment, and Thermal Power Plants

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Welcome to the St(o)ppwatch newsletter! This is our monthly dispatch of updates and insights on issues surrounding coal-based power plants, and the environment in general



Ozone pollution and its impact on climate and health

In our last issue, we looked at how different sectors contribute to pollutants in the air we breathe, of which ozone is one of the major pollutants. This article explores properties of ozone that make it a pollutant on Earth's surface and the impacts of ground level ozone on climate and health.

SUBMIT THE PLAN OR FACE PENALTY

<p>Six States Dither On Clean Air Action Plan</p> <p>No. of non-attainment (NA) cities 102</p> <p>(NA city: The city which doesn't meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards) (NA cities were identified using data from 2011-15)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> States/UTs with NA cities were directed to submit clean air action plans by December 31, 2018 Such action plans need to be approved by a central committee by January 31, 2019 	<p>STATUS OF 102 CITIES</p> <p>Action plan received 83</p> <p>Action plan not received 19</p> <p>Action plan approved 46</p> <p>Action plan not approved 11</p> <p>Action plan under review 26</p> <p>Defaulters among states Assam, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Punjab, Uttarakhand and Nagaland</p> <p>New deadline for defaulters: Apr 30, 2019</p>
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Six states served April 30 deadline by NGT to submit clean air action plans

States that have not submitted clean air action plans for their respective non-attainment cities have been given until April 30 by the NGT to do so, or will have to pay a penalty of Rs 1 crore. These plans originally had to be submitted in December 2018.

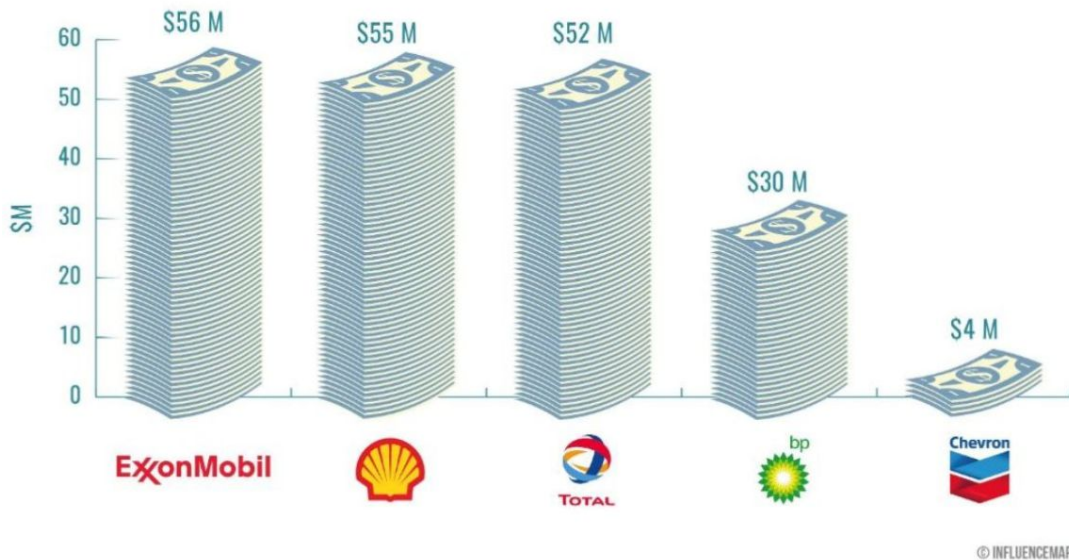


NGT halts Adani's plans to expand Udupi plant

Suspending the environmental clearance accorded in 2017 for augmenting the plant's capacity by 800 MW, the NGT also noted that the original plant's EC was 'unlawful'. A study of the carrying capacity of the region- among other studies- has been mandated.

[Read Order](#)

Spend on Climate Branding, 2018



Do oil majors really care about climate change?

The five largest publicly-traded oil and gas majors have invested over \$1Bn in the three years after the Paris Agreement on misleading climate-related branding and lobbying, to maintain the social and legal license to operate and expand fossil fuel operations.

*Power plant in
your
neighbourhood?*

Use our monitoring [tool](#) to see if the plant is adhering to prescribed standards.

For other tools and tips to strengthen your campaigns, see [here](#).

About CAG:

Citizen consumer and civic Action Group (CAG) is a non-profit, non-political, professional organization working towards citizen's rights in consumer and environmental issues and promoting good governance including transparency, accountability, and participatory decision-making.

About Thermal Watch:

An initiative to assist local communities around existing and proposed coal-fired power plants on the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process, by developing and disseminating information toolkits that they can use. In addition to that, we create awareness about the existing compliance processes to push for better compliance by power plants to prescribed environmental standards.

If you would like anyone to receive our newsletter, ask them to write to us, and we will be happy to add them to our mailing list.

We would love to hear from you! If you have any feedback, please drop us a line at tpp@cag.org.in.

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