



# Agreement Signed Between AIIMS & PCB to Study the Side Effects of Pollution on Health

## Why in News?

On 9 May 2023, an MoU was signed between the Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board (MP PCB) and All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhopal for a joint study and research on 'Impact of environmental pollution on human health'.

## Key Points:

- The MoU was signed by Chandramohan Thakur, Member Secretary, MP PCB Board and Dr. Ajay Singh, Director & Executive Officer, AIIMS.
- The agreement made by the subject matter experts of both the institutes will set a new example in the country for the health security of future generations.
- A joint study by the experts of both the institutes will find out what are the ill effects of various pollutants present in the environment on human health and what diseases are caused by them.
- Pollution will help in preventing serious diseases like cancer, respiratory and heart diseases & on the basis of these, health policy will be decided.
- This research will also be helpful in the research work being done in other states. At present the agreement has been made for 2 years. This agreement may also be extended based on the findings of the study.
- This agreement will prove to be a turning point in the control of air pollution and diseases caused by it. This will be of great help in the study of various diseases caused by pollution in different regions. Due to the availability of authentic data, it will help in making an effective health policy in the country and the state.
- It is known that water pollution also causes many infectious and serious diseases. The joint study is a unique initiative towards the control and eradication of these diseases, which will set an example before other states.



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