



Air and Noise Pollution in Faridabad | Haryana | 31 Aug 2024

Why in News?

Recently, [The National Green Tribunal \(NGT\)](#) has established a committee to investigate whether unauthorized stone [mining activities in the Aravalis](#) are resulting in severe [air and noise pollution](#) in Anangpur village of Faridabad.

Key Points

- This action was prompted after **residents near Anangpur filed a petition with the NGT alleging** that the illegal operations pose a **significant health risk**.
- The committee is composed of representatives from the [Commission for Air Quality Management \(CAQM\)](#), the [Central Pollution Control Board \(CPCB\)](#), the [Haryana State Pollution Control Board \(HSPCB\)](#), the District Magistrate (DM) of Faridabad, and the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) of Faridabad.
 - The **committee's responsibilities** include visiting the site to ascertain the nature of the land, confirming whether necessary approvals were obtained, and identifying the individuals or organizations engaged in the activities.

The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)

- It is a statutory organisation, was **constituted in 1974** under the **Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974**.
- CPCB was also entrusted with the powers and functions under the **Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981**.
- It provides technical assistance to the **Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate change** under the provisions of the [Environment \(Protection\) Act, 1986](#).