

An Overview -Effects of Covid 19 Pandemic on Climate Change in India

Abstract

From a public health perspective, the spread of the COVID-19 virus has become a problem. The incredible rise in disease-related infection and death rates has brought the world to a standstill in dealing with its negative consequences. This has led to a global lockdown to prevent further spread of the virus. The blockade had a huge social and economic impact. However, it also has some positive effects on the environment, especially air quality, as many research institutes point to reduced nitrogen dioxide and carbon monoxide problems in major cities (PM) around the world. Nitrogen dioxide emissions were reduced by 20-30% in China, Italy, France and Spain, while nitrogen dioxide emissions were reduced by 30% in the United States. Compared to last year, China's air quality improved by 11.4%. NO (-77.3%), NO₂ (-54.3). Compared to five years per month, 3% and carbon monoxide (-64.8%) (signs point to a decrease) content were found during Partial shutdown in Brazil. There are about -51.84, -53.11, -17 in India 97%, -52.68, -30.35, 0.78 and -12.33 reductions in PM₁₀, PM₂ concentrations. They are SO₂, NO₂, CO, O₃ and NH₃, respectively. This article focuses on the environmental impact of closures and also discusses air pollution before and after closures in major cities around the world. Various aspects of the environment were studied and evaluated, including air, water, noise and waste management before and after closure. Therefore, this research will serve as a guide for environmentalists, leaders and frontline activists as they look for ways to beat this disease and reduce its long-term impact on health and the environment.

Keywords: Climate change, Global pandemic, Outbreak, Environmental impacts, Air Quality Index, Waste management and Covid-19.

Graphical Abstract:



1.Introduction

The flare-up of COVID-19 widespread with disturbing exponential spread has made wellbeing emergencies all through the world. The illness was detailed in December 2019 in Wuhan, China. In any case, its presence has been detailed a couple of decades back. The infection that was afterward renamed COVID-19 had as of now influenced more than 100 nations (Organization, 2020) some time recently its discovery. The illness postured a worldwide danger after its destroying comes about to contain the infection and to manage up with the negative results of the infection, numerous nations have received activities to reduce anthropogenic intuitive that include authorization of strict quarantines, the forbiddance of open social occasions, confinements on diverse transportation implies,

support of social separating, forcing curfews and lockdowns.

After the affirmation of 1st COVID-19 case from India on 30th of January 2020, counseling posturing limitations with respect to worldwide voyages to the nations like China, Italy, Iran, Republic of Korea and Japan were forced on Walk 11, 2020. Kerala was at first the foremost COVID-19 influenced state in India. The circumstance in this way requested the execution of security measures to diminish the affect of this novel infection. The places of huge gatherings like teach, shopping centres and theatres were closed over India from Walk 16, 2020. The primary nation-wide shutdown was forced for 14 h on Walk 22, 2020, taken after instantly by a add up to lockdown of 21 days starting from Walk 24, 2020.

Being neighboring with China, India with a mass populace of more than 1.353 billion, is moreover battling against COVID-19. Modern Delhi is moment of the foremost contaminated cities within the world which has $PM_{2.5}$ $32.8 \mu g/m^3$ (World Health Organization). The impact of discuss contamination incorporates a serious affect on wellbeing. It is imperative to ponder the current discuss contamination circumstance of such a nation whose economy is depended on control, transport, development, agribusiness, country improvement. A major affect of lockdown due to COVID-19 can be watched on discuss quality, which is being experienced by everybody and recorded in different official reports. Brown haze has given way to blue skies in cities like Delhi, marine life is seeing expanded action, contamination levels have dropped in nearly all the metro cities and creatures, as well as feathered creatures, are moving around on their claim agreement. It was moreover, watched that in metro cities like Delhi, as the vitality impression was tall, the lockdown has moved forward the discuss quality at a better scale.

Comprehensive information related to discuss quality from different destinations of India uncovered that countermeasures related to COVID-19 caused a critical and recognizable improvement within the quality of discuss. The fatalities caused by the poor discuss quality within the year 2016 as detailed by WHO (Organization, 2018) was roughly 4.2 million. A positive impact on the discuss quality record (AQI) amid the period of lockdown in India would certainly turn away people passings. The information with respect to the natural execution record shows that Delhi is one of the 100 most noticeably awful contaminated cities of the world (Organization, 2016) and its rank within the particulate matter (PM_{10}) contamination list is exceptionally tall (Organization, 2018). National Encompassing Discuss Quality Measures (NAAQS) mean that $PM_{2.5}$ concentration in Delhi is exceptionally tall and distant past the mediocre limits. Such high-intensity discuss contamination has been demonstrated to cause open health issues, especially respiratory sicknesses.

The fundamental objective of the think about is to assess the noteworthy impact of lock-down due to COVID-19 on the Indian discuss quality. This ponder attempted to look at not as it were the status of discuss quality but moreover the impact of lockdown on water and commotion contamination. The ponder has highlighted the challenges of squander era and its reusing. The results of this ponder demonstrate that the novel coronavirus can be considered as a favoring in camouflage.

2. Pre-lockdown and during-lockdown scenario of major pollutant

Delhi seen a major decrease within the levels of discuss toxins (Fig.1, Table 1) post 3 weeks of lockdown period that begun from Walk 24, 2020. Amid this consider period, a decrease in concentrations of PM_{10} , $PM_{2.5}$, CO and NO_2 has been watched (Fig. 1a-e). There was approximately -51.84% and -53.11% lessening (negative sign indicating a decay) within the cruel sums of PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ individually. In any case, the greatness of $PM_{2.5}$ declined as detailed from activity and mechanical foundation stations was -62.61% and -59.74% (negative sign demonstrating a decline) individually. There was a noteworthy variety within the rate of

discuss toxins between pre and amid the period of lockdown (-52.68% NO₂ and -30.35% CO). Comparable comes about were found for Kolkata city, where an extreme decrease in PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} was detailed from 25th Walk to 15th May 2020 compared to the going before 3 a long time. Amid this period, PM₁₀ level diminished to 8.94% in comparison to 2019. Moreover, 19.46% diminishment within the concentration of NO₂ was detailed amid the lockdown in Kolkata. Other than this, the levels of poison SO₂ were diminished to 5.36 µg/m³ in 2020. The decrease in PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, CO and NO₂ concentrations might basically be ascribed to the significant diminish in vehicle deplete and mechanical yield emanations amid the lockdown period.

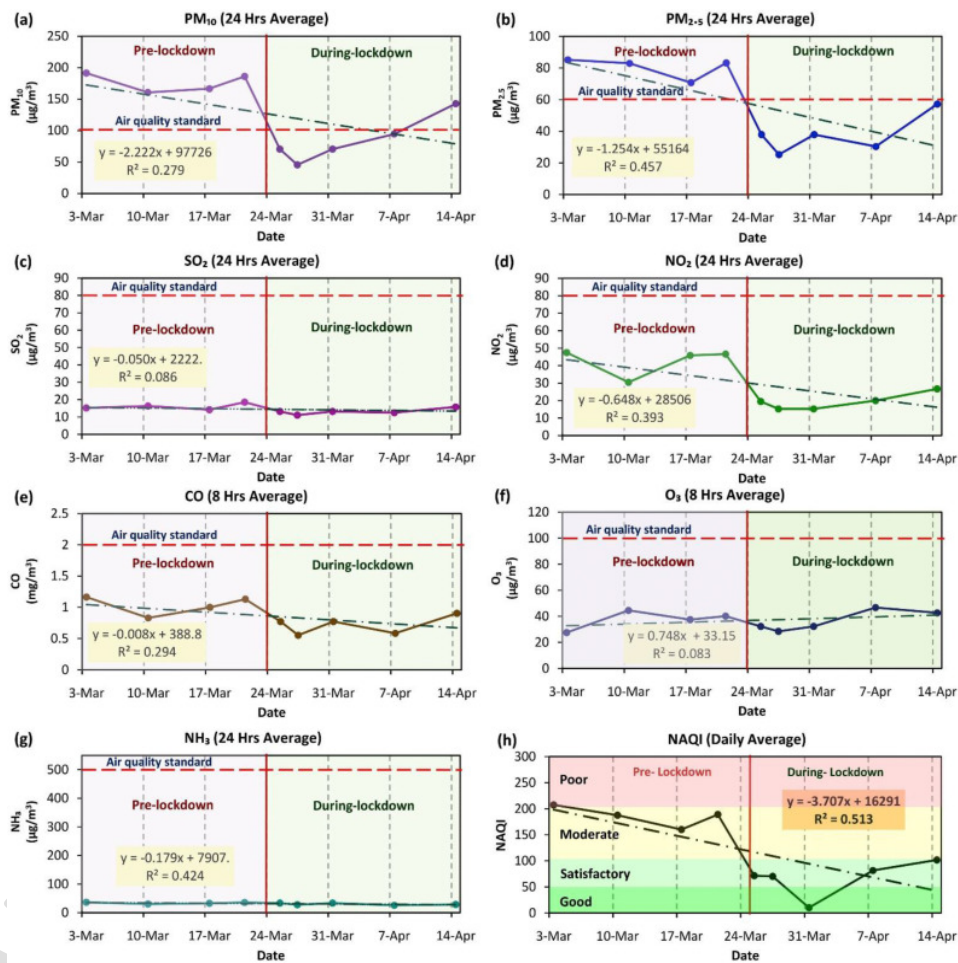


Fig1. The trend of 24h mean concentration; (a) PM₁₀, (b) PM_{2.5}, (c) CO, (d) NO₂, (g) NH₃, (h) NAQI and 8h mean of daily maxima of (e) CO and (f) O₃ between 3rd of March and 14th of April, 2020 (On 24th March 2020 the lockdown commenced) in NCT, Delhi, India.

Table1.

Average concentrations and variations of criterion pollutants in NCT Delhi, India from 2 March to 21 March 2020 (before lockdown) and 25 March to 14 April (after lockdown).

Pollutant	Before Lockdown	After Lockdown	Overall variation
	%		

	NCT Delhi Avg	Industrial Location Avg.	Transport Location Avg	Residential And other Location Avg.	NCT Delhi Avg.	Industrial Location Avg.	Transport Location Avg.	Residential And other Location Avg.	Net	[%]
PM10	176.07	190.74	195.77	160.48	84.79	91.25	90.11	76.48	-91.2	-51
PM2.5	80.51	88.05	94.83	72.67	37.75	39.67	44.23	31.09	-42.7	-53
SO2	16.08	15.48	14.56	14.17	13.19	14.07	12.53	11.20	-2.89	-17
NO2	42.59	34.81	47.35	48.75	20.16	18.80	23.38	18.79	-22.4	-52
CO	1.03	1.33	1.13	1.01	0.72	1.04	0.71	0.64	-0.31	-30
O3	34.05	26.37	35.07	37.36	34.32	31.00	38.87	37.97	0.27	0.78
NH3	33.93	38.43	38.02	30.66	29.75	35.84	33.06	25.97	-4.18	-12
NAQI	185.99	196.38	215.29	174.78	72.64	92.45	87.29	79.80	-113	-60

In any case, no such exceptional decrease was detailed for SO₂ (-17.97%), and NH₃ (-12.33%) (Fig. 1 c, g). The ozone concentration (+0.78% add up to variety) uncovered its insignificant increment amid the consider period with an immaterial expanding drift (Fig. 1f). A comparable expanding drift within the concentration of ozone was detailed that appeared the concentration of O₃ boosted up to 9.73% in April 2020 in Kolkata. Besides, this rise in ozone concentration happened within the locales ruled by fabricating and transportation due to decay in nitrogen oxide (NO) levels that come about in moo O₃ utilization (>10% increase) (Table 1). Besides, it is an extraordinary occurrence that the thickness of O₃ has been increased in Kolkata amid this continuous lockdown period. The in general quality of discuss is perceptible from NAQI information for past and amid lockdown (Fig. 1h), which portrays a decrease in NAQI amid the period of lockdown (Indian National Discuss Quality Standard; CPCB 2015). Advancement of approximately -59.45% (net diminish in NAQI: 128.0) and -52.92% (Net diminish in NAQI: 103.93) within the discuss quality for the mechanical and transportation areas respectively was detailed amid the lockdown period. This means an impressive upgrade within the quality of discuss anticipated to be in the event that the strict execution of discuss quality anticipation and control directions are put into hone. The discoveries of the current ponder might offer assistance in arranging superior discuss contamination diminishment procedures, moving forward discuss quality displaying and estimating for the improvement of wellbeing and environment.

3. National air quality index pre-lockdown and during lockdown

The impact of lockdown on the quality of discuss between 3rd of Walk and 14th of April 2020 was examined and appeared in (Fig. 2). One day after the onset of lockdown (25th Walk 2020). Critical improvement of quality of discuss was detailed (Fig. 2e) when compared with the pre-lockdown stage. NAQI appeared 51% decrease on the 4th day (27th Walk 2020) of lockdown (Fig. 2f) when compared with the factual information of the 3rd going before day (21st Walk 2020) of the lockdown (Fig. 2d). Amid the lockdown time, there was 43% decrease in NAQI (24th Walk to 14th April 2020) in differentiate to the NAQI of to begin with 3 weeks of Walk (from 3rd to 21st Walk 2020). An inexact decrease of almost 54, 49, 43, 37 and 31% in NAQI were detailed in Central, Eastern, Western, Southern and Northern zones of NCT Delhi, separately. This unexpected decay in NAQI is related to the change within the concentrations of existing toxins; primarily PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, NO₂ and CO. Be that as it may, after 2 weeks of the shutdown, a slight rise in NAQI was detailed on 7th and 14th of April 2020 (Fig. 2h and and2i)2i) due to constrained unwinding on the essential vehicular minute, warm control plant operations and mechanical exercises in Northern locales of India.

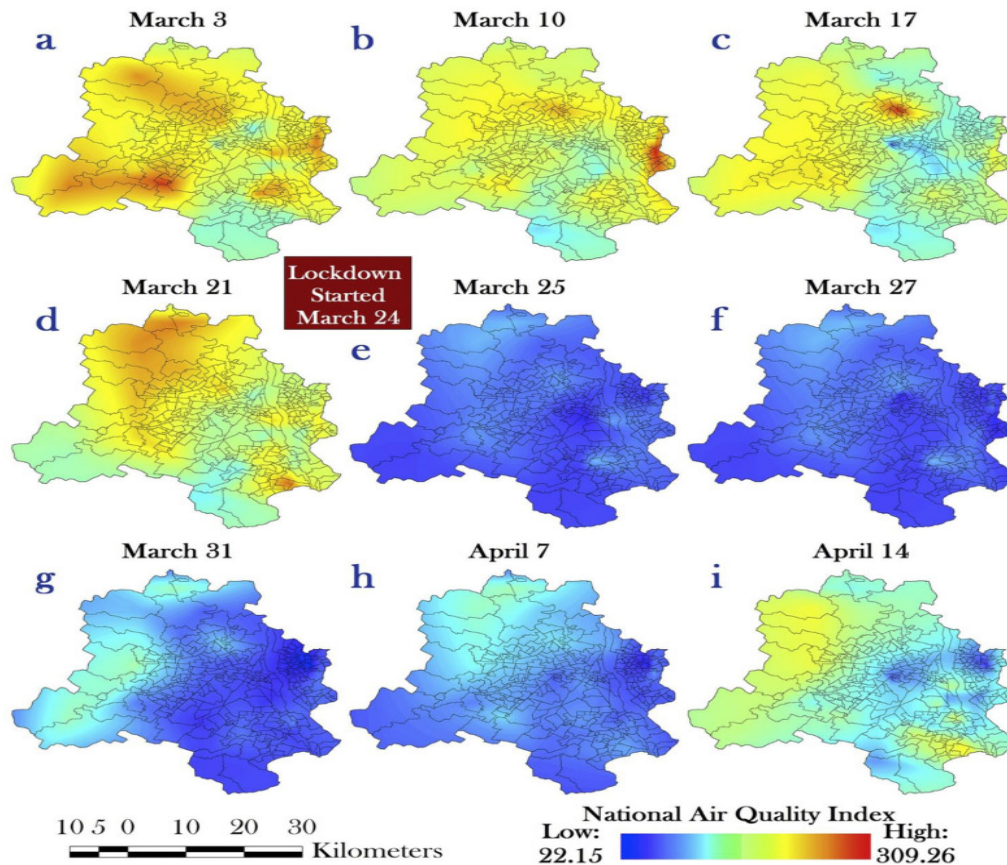


Fig. 2 NAQI change at NCT Delhi from 3 April to 14 April 2020.

4. Air Pollution amid Covid- 19 across the world – A contemporary examination.

Luckily, the lockdown measures have brought a chance to rationalize positive human natural impacts on other parts of the world as well. A sudden drop in carbon emanations has happened since nearly all the businesses, transportation implies and other trade foundations have closed down. When compared with the information related to the toxin gas outflows of the past year, it can be expressed that discuss contamination levels in Unused York, USA have diminished by nearly 50%. In China, nearly 30% NO₂ and 25% carbon outflow decrease have been detailed amid the lockdown. Agreeing to environment and environment service, nearly 11.4% change in discuss quality in China was detailed when compared with information of the past year. In Europe, NO₂ outflow levels diminished over northern Italy, Spain and the UK. In India, the normal tropospheric NO₂ concentrations amid lockdown uncovered 12.10% decrease. Be that as it may, in 2019, there was an increment of 0.8% in tropospheric NO₂ concentrations over India amid the same period. The comes about demonstrate that limitations on major anthropogenic exercises brought about within the diminishment of NO₂ levels. Amid the lockdown period, tropospheric NO₂ concentrations in Delhi declined by 65.90%.

Studies conducted watched a decrease in discuss poisons within the enormous cities of the world amid the lockdown period. Ogen et detailed a solid relationship between the levels of NO₂ and deadly results of COVID-19. Coccia et al. have proposed comparable discoveries in connection to discuss quality, PM₁₀ and O₃ from the capitals of the territory of northern Italy. There are few other reports on the changes in discuss quality amid COVID-19 flare-up lockout with specific respect

to numerous regions around the world. Fig. 3 illustrates the investigation of the quality of discuss in a few of the world's biggest cities some time recently and after the COVID-19.

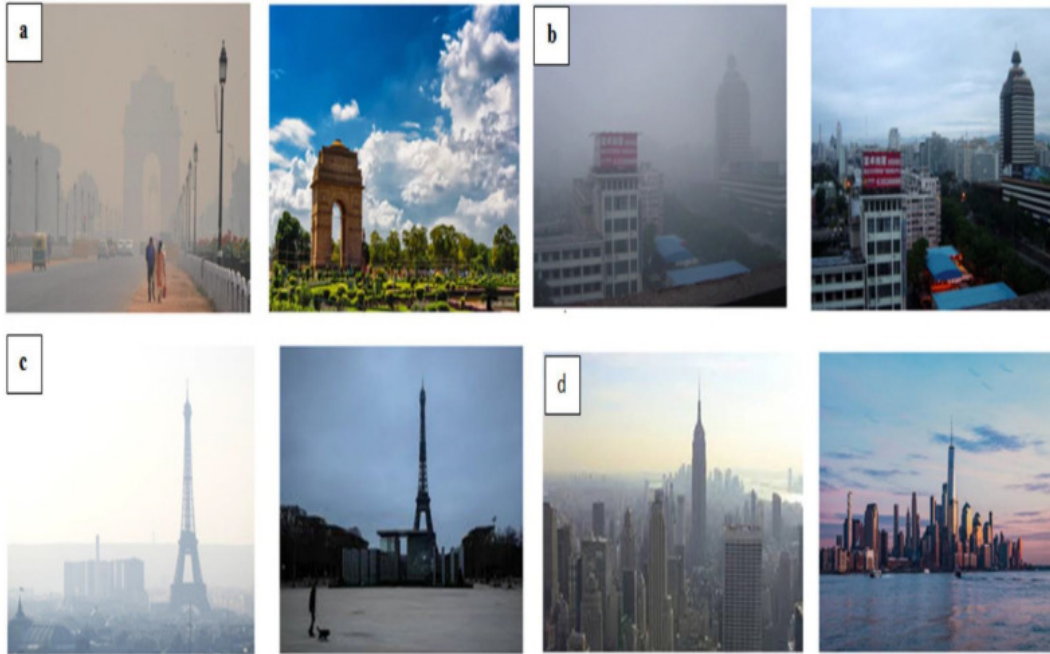


Fig. 3 The comparison of air quality before Covid-19 pandemic and after the lockdown in several largest cities of the world; [a] New Delhi, India, [b] Beijing, China, [c] Paris, France, [d] New York, USA.

European Space Organization (ESA) and the National Air transportation and Space Organization (NASA) distributed modern documentation that hinted the quality of natural progressed and NO₂ emanation turns down up to 30%. The NASA assemble information by making utilize of Ozone Observing Disobedient (OMI) on its Atmosphere fawning. In any case, utilizing the Tropospheric Observing Instrument (TROPOMI), ESA collected information through Sentinel-5P lackey.

5. Air quality Index and health risk estimation in India

To clarify the overall, alter within the quality of discuss, air quality index (AQI) was measured. Air quality index (AQI) makes the utilize of PM_{2.5}, PM₁₀, SO₂, NO₂, NH₃, CO, O₃ and Pb, of which least concentration is of three contaminants, at least one of them being PM_{2.5} or PM₁₀. The concentration of toxins was changed over into numbers on a scale extending from to 500. For each poison (i), the sub-index AQI (AQI_i) was decided utilizing Eq. (1).

$$AQI_i = \frac{IN_{HI} - IN_{LO}}{B_{HI} - B_{LO}} + (C_i - B_{LO}) + IN_{LO} \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

Where C_i is the pollutant concentration i, B_{LO} and B_{HI} are the cut-off concentrations less and more than C_i, and IN_{LO} and IN_{HI} are the corresponding AQI values. The overall air quality index is the

highest AQI and the corresponding air pollution is the most polluted air. AQI is divided into 5 different categories; Good (AQI range 0-50), Satisfactory (51-100), Moderate (101-200), Poor (201-300), Poor (301-400), and Severe (401 -500). In India, the health benefits from changes in many cities have been calculated using more risk factors associated with indoor and outdoor air pollution. The relative pollution risk is measured by the equation.

$$RR_I = \exp\beta_i (C_I - C_{I_0}), C_I > C_{I_0} \quad \text{-----}(2)$$

In the formula, RR_i is the relative density of pollutant i and β_i is the response coefficient representing the additional health risk (such as death) produced when each pollution unit I exceeds the threshold. The β value is 0.038., PM10, SO2, NO2 and O3 are 0.32%, 0.081, 0.13 and 0.048 per $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, respectively, while carbon monoxide is 3.7% per mg/m^3 . $C_{i, 0}$ is the concentration level indicating that there is no risk to health when the concentration of pollutant I is equal to or equal to the maximum risk (ER) of pollutant I , and the maximum risk of all pollutants is determined as follows. equation. (3), (4).

$$ER_I = RR_I - 1 \quad \text{-----}(3)$$

$$ER_{total} = \sum ER_I - \sum (RR_I - 1) \quad \text{-----}(4)$$

During the block, Sharma et al. (2020) examined the ER in response to air pollution and compared it to the same period of the previous 3 years. Threshold values for PM2.5, PM10, O3 are $25 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (24-hour average), $50 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (24-hour average), $100 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (8-hour average) and $200 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ (1-hour average), It has been studied for NO2 and SO2 estimation Organization, 2006). For CO, the air quality standards recommended by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) use $4 \text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ (1 hour average). In each region, the main health threats posed by PM2.5 and PM10 during the closed period were examined. However, the average ER in the country has decreased by an average of 52% due to PM. ERs of all pollutants decreased during the closing period in all regions except O3 in eastern India and SO2 in northern India. The overall decline (about 4 times) in Indian emergency services during quarantine could prevent around 650,000 deaths per year in India.

6. Predicting meteorological impact on concentrations

Also, overall climate change may be due to greater pre-monsoon circulation during the lockdown. Similar blockades did not lead to significant changes in air quality in China due to bad weather. Two simulations were performed to demonstrate the effect. It was the study period of 2020 when real weather was used in Simulation 1. Worst weather for the first half of November 2019 was used in Simulation 2. Table 2 shows the performance standards for 30 urban research sites. Results showed

that the mean most biased (MFB) results were within ± 0.6 of the USEPA standard out of eight sites (EPA, 2007). The relative concentration changes in simulation 2 compared to simulation 1 are also shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Model results using MFB and expected concentration shifts in the worst meteorological case in comparison to the base case at Delhi-NCR examinations sites.

Station	MFB	Change [%]
Najafgarh	-0.10	-54.33
Narela	-0.70	-40.40
Okhla Phase-2	-0.40	12.97
Lodhi Road	0.00	28.19
Mandir Marg	-0.10	21.75
MDC National Stadium	0.10	33.29
North Campus, DU	0.80	-23.03
NSIT Dwarka	0.30	-43.13
CRRM Mathura Road	-0.90	17.62
ITO	0.40	154.64
IGI Airport [T3]	-0.40	-52.73
IHBAS, Dilshad Garden	-0.20	104.51
JLN Stadium	-0.90	04.04
Burari Crossing	-0.60	105.27
Punjabi Bagh	0.10	-21.10
Pusa	-0.40	29.37
R K Puram	0.10	-47.06
Sonia Vihar	-0.30	31.20
Vivek Vihar	-0.40	36.65
Wazirpur	0.60	268.75
Anand Vihar	-0.30	64.30
Ashok Viha	-0.10	71.32
Rohini	0.10	-48.35
Shadipur	-0.40	12.31

An increment in concentration was taken note at 24 destinations owing to unfavorable climate conditions. On normal, the concentrations at locales with solid demonstrate yield in Reenactment 2 raised by 33% in opposite to Reenactment 1. This proposes that it was not great meteorology, the cruel every day concentration of PM_{2.5} in Delhi-NCR expanded to 54 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, which is lower than the CPCB standard (60 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) and 1.13 times more prominent than the appropriate WHO standard. In any case, this surge may not be having precision as within the discuss contamination scene amid November 2020. Since, the same confinements are being forced on anthropogenic exercises, as private emanations are mainly since of space warming in northern India.

7. Water amid Covid-19

Shorelines have ended up one of the irreplaceable characteristic assets found in coastal regions. The assets advertised by the shorelines such as angling, discuss, arrive and relaxation are exceptionally vital to the survival of coastal people groups and have essential values that must be protected from abuse. On the other hand, non-responsible utilization of the assets by people

has influenced different world' shorelines that confront developing natural risks. The current coronavirus widespread has confined tourists' stream to these shorelines, coming about in a exceptional change within the appearance of numerous world shorelines.

8.Waste generation and recycling amid Covid-19

Land degradation, deforestation, air and water pollution are many of the environmental risks from the production of organic and inorganic waste. The World Health Organization has declared the COVID-19 outbreak a state of emergency, forcing people around the world to stay at home.

As COVID-19 has spread to many countries around the world, the management of medical waste can be a major concern. In order to properly dispose of medical waste, organizations and companies involved in waste management have put in place a plan to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. It is also important that the government find a solution to this problem. Everyone is responsible for complying with the rules and regulations during the disposal of masks and other medical waste. Personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gloves and masks, contributes to increasing waste in many developing countries (Figure 6). In the end, our world will emerge stronger from this disease, and this can only be achieved with the collective knowledge and imagination of people. Certain members of society, such as domestic workers, garbage collectors, and others who tend to spend more time in public places, are at greater risk of exposure to medical waste. Plastic-based masks are liquid resistant and durable, but end up in the ocean after disposal.



Fig 4. Pictures of the beach mask.

These plastic masks, as well as surgical masks, sterile bottles and wipes, cause a lot of medical waste when thrown away. Environmental NGO Ocean Asia recently conducted research on Hong Kong's So ko Islands; Many discarded masks were thrown and crashed into a 100-meter-long beach. During the COVID-19 outbreak, citizens are required to wear surgical masks as a precaution.

The increase in the amount of waste caused by the daily use of masks, gloves and hand sanitizer by 7 million people worldwide would be a huge problem. Discussions about various medical waste products will be real in the coming days.

The global COVID-19 pandemic is a global fiasco that, given its impact on humans, will create a huge waste that requires economic analysis. However, this reaction is not earth-shaking. "This is our next issue," Morris said after sharing a photo of a mask lying on the beach, but this is nothing new. Waste recycling is an important ecological problem and worries all countries the most. It is an important way to control pollution, conserve natural resources and save energy.

9. Environmental noise levels amid Covid-19

Ambient sound is defined as an unwanted sound that can be artificially produced by high volume work (for example, commercial or industrial activities), the movement of the car engine, and music. It is one of the main reasons why it supports the population and the environment, causes health problems and changes the conditions of the natural environment. Some countries have implemented isolation measures that keep people at home.

However, the use of transportation has decreased significantly. International flights have been cancelled. The market is almost over. All outdoor sports such as cricket, basketball, football and hockey have been suspended. Stores and shops were closed.

All schools were closed and private and public meetings were suspended. The city streets are mostly empty; Businesses, businesses, factories, bars and theaters were closed. All these changes have resulted in a reduction in noise levels in major cities around the world.

10. Risks, rules regulation [RRR] amid covid-19

-Working together to reduce human-to-human transmission of the coronavirus is critical to controlling the disease now. Social control is very effective in preventing the spread of the disease. Working from home will reduce social interaction. For people with little or no outdoor space, staying indoors can be more of a struggle.

-Specific strategies and efforts should be implemented to protect vulnerable people, such as healthcare workers, children and the elderly. Patients with diabetes, heart disease and even high blood pressure, chronic respiratory disease and cancer are at risk of contracting the coronavirus.

-A guide has been published for doctors, individuals and scientists interested in the coronavirus. Utilities require a variety of hand sanitizers every day. Larger families have a higher risk of bringing the virus home.

-Travel screening can limit the disease and prevent its spread. Changes in the spread of the coronavirus should be monitored. It is important to consider human-to-human and subclinical transmission, adaptation, development and transmission of the disease and to understand the animal environment and owners. However, to date, only a small number of patients have been reported due to the lack of clinical trials.

-Color codes can be used to identify the true, low prevalence and prevalence of the disease in a country

-Household waste should not be disposed of and stored outside to provide breeding grounds for flies and pests. Instead, it should be thrown into the hole. Appropriate protective equipment should be worn when using disinfectants. In these challenging situations, one must be a responsible citizen.

-Online dating and shopping for medicine, vegetables, food, milk, etc. to prevent people from

coming. Encourage delivery. Outdoor activities should be avoided. Religious activities should also be temporarily suspended to avoid large gatherings. Books, internet, etc. time must be spent. Overcome depression caused by blockages.

11. Conclusion

Due to the containment of the COVID-19 pandemic, the shutdown strategy provides a useful message for all countries around the world to restore the stability of the environment and ecosystems. Clearly, this unfortunate and unfortunate situation has become a curse for millions of people, as the global spread of COVID-19 and the continued closure of slaughterhouses are facing serious disruptions to the global economy. The COVID-19 pandemic has led to improvements in environmental quality, water and noise. Measures taken by governments all over the world due to COVID-19 have reduced environmental pollution and improved environmental quality, especially in countries heavily affected by the COVID-19 outbreak, such as China, the United States, Italy and Spain. These countries have experienced reductions in carbon emissions, air pollution and music. In India there are about -51.84, -53.11, -17.97, -52.68, -30, PM10, PM 2.5, SO₂, NO₂, CO, O₃, and NH₃ concentrations were reduced by 35%, 0.78% and -12.33%, respectively. Significant improvements in air quality can provide significant health benefits.

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