

# Phasing out CTC emission must to protect environment: Experts



Dignitaries sharing the dias during a workshop on 'National CTC Phase Out plan and Use of safe alternatives' at VIA Hall in the city on Wednesday.

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**April 8:** "Carbon Tetra Chloride emissions in industries are being monitored regularly and it is hoped that CTC emissions will be completely phased out and the industries will have to submit a report about elimination of CTC emission in their respective industry within next couple of months," informed V M Motghare, regional officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, which speaking in a workshop on 'National CTC Phase Out plan and Use of safe alternatives' at VIA Hall in the city on Wednesday.

The seminar was jointly

organised by Vidarbha Industries Association, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board and GTZ Proklima to create awareness about the effects of CTC emitted by industries.

Sudhir Paliwal, chairman, Science and Technology Forum, VIA said VIA in association with GTZ Proklima and MPCB had organized an awareness programme in October 2007 that hopes to ensure elimination of CTC by end of the year 2009.

During the technical session, Ms Neelima D'Silva Focal Point GTZ Proklima said that CTC has applications across a wide range of industry segments. It is physically used as a clean-

ing agent, the materials cleaned range from solids such as metal, glass, rubber to delicate fabric and photographic films. Contaminants removed by CTC are equally varied and include grease, oils, dust, carbon, inks, and gums. She described how Ozone layer protects the earth.

V Ramasubramanian, advisor to GTZ Proklima made a detailed presentation on CTC on the alternatives. He said that there is no universal substitute for CTC. A host of alternatives options do exist but there is a need to identify for each industry segment the alternatives that suit it best.