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India is a party to the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and the Montreal Protocol on substances that deplete the Ozone Layer and its all amendments.

2. The 19th Meeting of the Parties (MOP) to the Montreal Protocol held in September, 2007 accelerated the phase-out of Group VI substances (HCFCs) with the following schedule :

- Base-level for production and consumption : the average of 2009 and 2010.
- Freeze=2013 at the base-level
- 10% reduction in 2015
- 35% reduction in 2020
- 67.5% reduction in 2025
- 100% reduction in 2030 with a service tail of 2.5% annual average during the period 2030-2040

3. HCFC Phase-out Management Plan (HPMP) Stage-I is being implemented to meet the 2013 freeze and 2015 phase-out targets as per the above Montreal Protocol schedule.

4. In order to comply with the HPMP Stage-I, it has been decided the following with immediate effect : -

- (i) Introduction of quota system for production and consumption of Group VI substances (HCFCs) for non-feedstock applications
- (ii) Monitoring and reporting system for all feedstock applications including use of Carbon tetrachloride.

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- (iii) Prohibition of issuance of license for import of blends containing Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) including Group VI substances.
- (iv) Ban on creating new capacities to manufacture products made with or containing Group VI substances (HCFCs).
- (v) Prohibition of issuance of license for import of pre-blended polyols containing Group VI substances (HCFCs).

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