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**Bhubaneswar, Dec 30 (KNN)** In order to put a check on air and water pollution from industries, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) recently asked Odisha State Pollution Control Board (OSPCB) to ensure regular inspection of industries.

The National Green Tribunal (NGT) had asked the CPCB to ensure revision of existing policy framework of all States and also to ensure that pollution by industries especially those categorised as highly polluting don't go unchecked.



The Board, which has categorised industries in highly polluting 17 categories, has given a timeline for inspection. The inspection which used to be conducted once in six months, will now be held every three months.

The common effluent treatment plant, sewage treatment plant, common biomedical waste treatment and disposal facility and other such plants will also undergo inspection every three months.

The inspection will be carried out in line with the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981. OSPCB has to submit its ATR in 15 days.