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**NOTIFICATION
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The following Notification No. SO(G)/EPD/7-26/2013, dated 05.08.2016 regarding the Punjab Environmental Quality Standards for Noise is published for general information:

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**Government of the Punjab
Environment Protection Department**

NOTIFICATION: No. SO(G)/EPD/7-26/2013. In exercise of the powers conferred under clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Punjab Environmental Protection Act, 1997 (XXXIV of 1997), the Environmental Protection Council has approved the following as the Punjab Environmental Quality Standards for Noise:

Punjab Environment Quality Standards for Noise

No.	Category of Area/Zone	Effective from 1 st July, 2010		Effective from 1 st July, 2013	
		Limits in dB(A) Leq*			
		Day Time	Night Time	Day Time	Night Time
1	Residential Area (A)	65	50	55	45
2	Commercial Area (B)	70	60	65	55
3	Industrial Area (C)	80	75	75	65
4	Silence Zone (D)	55	45	50	45

Note:

1. Day time hours; 6:00am to 10:00pm.
2. Night Time hours; 10:00 pm to 6:00 am.
3. Silence Zone: Zones which are declared as such by the competent authority. An area comprising not less than 100 meters around hospital, educational institutions and courts
4. Mixed categories of areas may be declared as one of the four above mentioned categories by the competent authority

* dB(A) Leq: Time weighted average of the level of sound in decibel on scale A which is relatable to human hearing.

(Signature)
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