

## **Dhaka's Air Pollution at Extreme/Aminul Islam Mithu/Editor-Saiful Islam--- This is translated script of visual report-02**

### **In Vision/Presenter Link Part:**

The residents of Dhaka are breathing polluted air all year around, not leaving a single day in past 10 months. According to Global Air report of US, Dhaka is on the second position in the list of having most polluted air. Asthma, asphyxia, cancer like chronic diseases are increasing rapidly due to air pollution.

### **Reporter Voice Over:**

The rivers around Dhaka are skirted by brick fields and garbage stacks, apparently making the whole city foggy from the bird's eye view. Smog emitted from vehicles and dust are not left behind in responsible list.

Brick fields, ongoing development projects and construction elements including burning the wastages in around 40 places in Dhaka are responsible for polluting air in Dhaka.

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The value of AQI (Air Quality Index) should be 50 in order to maintain a healthy environment. Whereas, air of Dhaka has got 150 AQI, being extremely harmful for human health.

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According to the report of WHO, the number of death due to Pneumonia, stroke, heart disease, lungs cancer is increasing day by day. And air pollution is at fault for this.

### **Sync: Mohammad Azizur Rahman, Cardiologist**

Department of Environment has limitations to take legal actions against the responsible ones for air pollution.

**Sync: Ziaul Hoque, Director, Air Quality Management, Department of Environment.**

Bangladesh is 2<sup>nd</sup> on the air pollution index and India's Delhi is the 1<sup>st</sup>. Almost 120 thousand people died of various diseases caused by pollution in 2017.

**Piece to Camera--PTC:**

According to researches, Dhaka's air remains extremely polluted almost 200 days a year. A kid raised in such polluted environment can lose upto 15 months from its lifespan.

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