

# Celebration of World Ozone Day 2020 Report

National Ozone Unit, NEPA

16 September 2020



EVENT TITLE	Celebration of World Ozone Day
EVENT OBJECTIVE	To celebrate 35 years of successful implementation of the Vienna convention and raise awareness of general public on protection of the ozone layer.
FACILITATORS NAME	National Ozone Unit, NEPA
DATE	16 <sup>th</sup> September 2020
MAIN AUDIENCE	Governmental and non-governmental organizations, civil society, university students, technicians and media
KEY WORDS	World Ozone Day, Montreal Protocol, Kigali Amendments

## Introduction

16<sup>th</sup> September is the international day of Ozone. Every year, countries celebrate this day to celebrate the success implementation of the Vienna convention and Montreal Protocol and share their success story with the world.

Afghanistan as a party to the Montreal protocol also celebrates this day every year in different provinces to enhance the capacity of general public in every province. This year, the National Ozone Unit of NEPA planned to celebrate this day in Herat province. around 230 participants attended the celebration from different governmental and non-governmental organizations in Herat province.

The National Ozone Unit tries to bring changes to the content of the event every year to celebrate this day at its best. Previous year the event included ozone-friendly equipment, painting and books exhibition. To bring changes to the content the National Ozone Unit planned to gift safety packages to technicians in Herat province on the occasion of celebrating the ozone day.

Celebrating this day was a good opportunity to share the success story of successful implementation of the Montreal Protocol with line stakeholders for better coordination of future activities.



## Ozone for life: 35 years of ozone layer protection

(WOD Theme 2020)



## Objective

The main objective of this event was to celebrate the successes of Vienna convention and Montreal Protocol and raising weariness about the importance of ozone layer. Important information about the ozone layer protection, Montreal protocol and Kigali amendment was shared with the participants.

The event provided a good networking space for the National Ozone Unit of NEPA to expands its network and inform more organizations of its activities and also talk about new technologies and current market challenges.

The event was carried out by gifting the safety cloths packages with the technician of Herat province to highlight the importance of using safety cloths during the technical practices and encourage technicians to using it.

## Key Outcome

On 16th September 2020, the celebration of world ozone day was officially started with the recitation of holy Quran following the nation anthem of Afghanistan.

At the opening, Nasir Ahmad Fazli director of environmental directorate of Herat welcomed the national ozone unit and pointed the importance of ozone layer.

After the speech from environmental directorate of Herat, Dr. Haidari deputy governor of Herat province and Mr. Hadid deputy of Hear provincial council shared their speech and insisted on better coordination between NOU and Herat province.

Following this, Mr. Ahmad Samim Hoshmand Head of the National Ozone Unit shared his speech and highlighted the role of general public in ozone layer preservation.

After the opening remarks, an informative and technical video about Ozone layer and Montreal Protocol was played in national language to engage the audience to the event.

The event continued with an informative and technical presentation from Ahmad Shoaib Noorzad, PMU coordinator of NOU on the Montreal Protocol and Kigali Amendment.

After the presentation, Mr. Hamidullah Rasoli, head of Herat RAC union shared his speech and thanked the National Ozone Unit of NEPA for its non-stop support to the RAC union. He also appreciated the National Ozone Unit by presenting an award on behalf of Herat's RAC union to NOU.

At the end of celebration, the National Ozone Unit of NEPA gifted safety cloths packages to 100 technicians of Herat city in cooperation of Herat RAC union to promote the usage of safety cloths

in their daily technical practices. This gift package included safety helmet, gloves, safety goggles and safety suit.

The celebration of World Ozone Day 2019 ended with lunch break and at the end, it provided a good space for network building among the participants.

## Target Audience

This event was attended by more than 280 participants including the deputy governor of Herat province, deputy of provincial council of Herat province, Environmental Protection Directorate of Herat Province, governmental and non-governmental organizations of Herat, university lecturers, university students, representatives of the civil society, R/AC union, ODS importers, technicians from Herat city and Media representatives.

The ozone day was also celebrated through social media with targeting general public as the main audience.

# Media Campaign

As part of the World Ozone Day Activities, the National Ozone Unit run a social media campaign for public awareness from September 12, to September 16, 2020. This campaign covered some key information about the Ozone layer, Montreal Protocol, Kigali amendment, climate change, and energy efficiency.

All this information was delivered through posters and video clips from the National Ozone Unit and NEPA Facebook pages.

The campaign had a great impact and every post reached to the thousands of people around social media.

## 1- Posters

Different posters were designed and published on social media from the National Ozone Unit and the National Environmental Protection Agency Facebook pages to enhance general public's knowledge on the importance of ozone layer and Montreal Protocol.

## 2- Booklet

A booklet was designed and printed to enhance the capacity of the general public on ways to protect the ozone layer and help in healing it.

## 3- Brochure

Brochures on NOU activities and benefits of ratifying the Kigali amendment in Afghanistan were distributed to the participants on the celebration of ozone day.

## 4- Videos

An infographic explaining the importance of ozone layer and ways to protect it, was created in Dari language and premiered on the celebration of ozone day.

The video received a good response from the public and was widely shared among social media users.

## 5- Social media post

All the materials were posted on social media in local languages and English language. The campaign followed [#OzoneDay2020](#) [#Montreal\\_Protocol](#) [#NOU](#) [#OzoneForLife](#) and [#NEPA\\_Afghanistan](#) hashtags.

## **6- Website**

All contents are published on NOU website and informative brochures and posters are available to the public through NOU's website.

## **7- Other promotional materials**

The National Ozone unit also printed other promotional materials such as T-shirts, Hat, and ID card band to promote the celebration of ozone day and spread ozone friendly messages.

# **SUMMARY OF PRESENTATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

- Holy Quran recitation
- Welcome remarks by Nasir Ahmad Fazli, Director of Herat environmental protection directorate
- Opening remarks by Mr. Haidari, Deputy governor of Herat province
- Opening remarks by Mr. Hadid, Deputy of Herat provincial council
- Opening remarks by Mr. Ahmad Samim Hoshmand, Head of National Ozone Unit
- Video clip about Ozone Layer, NOU technical team
- Presentation on Montreal Protocol and NOU activities by Mr. Ahmad Shoaib, PMU Coordinator of NOU
- Speech by Mr. Rasoli, Head of Herat RAC union
- Appreciation of the National Ozone Unit by Herat RAC union
- Presenting the safety cloths package to the technicians
- Lunch

## Annex 1: Agenda [World Ozone Day Celebration 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020]

Celebration of World Ozone Day 2020		
Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2020		
Time: 08:45 AM to 12:00 PM		
Venue: ARG International Hotel, Herat, Afghanistan		
08:45 – 09:30	Registration	
09:30 – 9:40	• Recitation of Holy Quran	• Qari Sahib
9:40 – 9:45	• National Anthem of GoIRA	• Technical Team
9:45 – 10:00	• Welcome Message and Opening Remarks	• Nasir Ahmad Fazli ( Director of Environmental Protection Directorate of Herat Province )
10:00 – 10:20	• Statements on Ozone Layer	• Mahdi Hadid ( Deputy Governor of Herat-Province )
10:20 – 10:30	• People roles against Environment and Ozone Layer Protection	• Deputy of Herat Provincial council
10:30 – 10:50	• NEPA messages on Ozone Layer Protection	• Ahmad Samim Hoshmand (Head of Climate change Division and NOU )
10:50 – 11:00	• Ozone Video and Animation	• Technical Team
11:00 – 11:10	• Ozone Layer from the perspective of science and technology	• Head of Science Faculty , Herat University
11:10 – 11:20	• Montreal Protocol and KA	• Ahmad Shoaib Noorzad PMU-Coordinator , NOU
11:20 – 11:30	• RAC Union Statements	• Hamidullah Rasooli Head of RAC Union -Herat
11:30 – 12:00	• Gifts Distribution to Technicians	• EPD of Herat Province, NOU , RAC Union
12:00 – End	Closing Remarks and Lunch	

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تاریخ: ۲۶ سنبله سال ۱۳۹۹ مصادف با ۱۶ سپتمبر ۲۰۲۰		
زمان: چهارشنبه ۴۵: ۸ صبح الی ۱۲ بعد از ظهر		
مکان: هتل بین المللی ارگ، هرات، افغانستان		
۸:۴۵-۹:۳۰	ثبت نام اشتراک کننده گان	
۹:۳۰-۹:۴۰	• تلاوت آیات چند از قرآن کریم	• قاری صاحب
۹:۴۰-۹:۴۵	• سرود ملی	• تیم تخنیکي
۹:۴۵-۱۰:۰۰	• پیام خوش آمدید و سخنان افتتاحیه	• محترم نصیر احمد فضلی ( رئیس حفاظت محیط زیست )
۱۰:۰۰-۱۰:۲۰	• سخنان رهنمودی مقام ولایت هرات پیرامون موضوع	• مقام ولایت هرات
۱۰:۲۰-۱۰:۳۰	• نقش مردم در راستای حفاظت لایه اوزون و محیط زیست	• محترم مهدی حدید ( نماینده مردم در شورای ولایتی )
۱۰:۳۰-۱۰:۵۰	• پیام اداره ملی حفاظت محیط زیست ج.ا.ا پیرامون حفاظت لایه اوزون	• محترم احمد صمیم هوشمند ( سرپرست ریاست تغییر اقلیم و مسئول دفتر ملی اوزون )
۱۰:۵۰-۱۱:۰۰	• نمایش فلم کوتاه ( انمیشن اوزون و ویدیوی اوزون )	• تیم تخنیکي
۱۱:۰۰-۱۱:۱۰	• لایه اوزون از منظر ساینس و تکنالوژی	• محترم رئیس پوهنچی ساینس پوهنتون هرات
۱۱:۱۰-۱۱:۲۰	• پروتوکول مونترال و تعدیلات کیگالی	• محترم احمد شعیب نورزاد ( هماهنگ کننده پروژه های دفتر ملی اوزون )
۱۱:۲۰-۱۱:۳۰	• نظریات اتحادیه وسایل سرد کننده	• محترم حمیدالله رسولی ( رئیس اتحادیه تبرید کننده ها )
۱۱:۳۰-۱۲:۰۰	• اعطای تحفه اوزون به تخنیکران	• محترمان! ( ریاست حفاظت محیط زیست هرات ، دفتر ملی اوزون ، اتحادیه تبرید )
۱۲:۰۰- ختم	ختم محفل با قرائت دعائیه و صرف غذای ظهر	

Annex 2: event photos [World Ozone Day Celebration 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020]







