

National Green Tribunal (NGT)

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About National Green Tribunal:

- The National Green Tribunal has been established in **2010 under the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010** for effective and expeditious disposal of **cases relating to environmental protection and conservation of forests and other natural resources.**
- It is a specialized body equipped with **the necessary expertise to handle environmental disputes involving multi-disciplinary issues.**
- The Tribunal shall not be bound by the procedure laid down under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, but **shall be guided by principles of natural justice.**
- The Tribunal is mandated to make and endeavour for disposal of applications or appeals finally **within 6 months of filing of the case.**
- **Locations:** **New Delhi is the Principal Place of Sitting** of the Tribunal and **Bhopal, Pune, Kolkata and Chennai** shall be the other four place of sitting of the Tribunal.
- **Composition of NGT:** The Tribunal comprises:

- **Chairperson:** A retired Supreme Court judge.
 - **Judicial members:** Retired High Court judges.
 - **Expert members:** Professionals with at least 15 years of experience in fields related to environment or forest conservation.
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Q1: What is the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)?

It is a statutory body constituted in September, 1974, under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974. Further, CPCB was entrusted with the powers and functions under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981. It serves as a field formation and also provides technical services to the Ministry of Environment and Forests of the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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