## Working Group-2

### **Networking and Collaboration**

#### **Discussion Points**

## 1. Why We Need More Collaboration

# Background:

- o Early efforts to address air pollution were limited to a few organizations.
- o Research widened the focus beyond Delhi, highlighting it as a nationwide issue.

## Current Challenges:

- Lack of collaboration at city and regional levels reduces opportunities for learning and progress.
- o Efforts are often siloed, limiting the impact of air quality initiatives.
- o Events risk becoming symbolic without meaningful follow-ups or actions.

### Proposed Solutions:

- o Revamp processes to encourage genuine, ongoing collaboration.
- o Allocate resources to enable deeper discussions and shared initiatives.

## **Key Discussions**

- Strengthen connections through regular meetings and engagements.
- Launch a collective newsletter to share updates and goals.
- Advocate for equitable funding across all organizations to ensure sustainability.
- Use air quality discourse to influence political agendas and manifestos.
- Engage media as a key stakeholder to promote clean air efforts.
- Build trust among stakeholders and involve diverse groups for impactful campaigns.
- Leverage local networks and skills to design practical, community-driven plans.
- Celebrate grassroots efforts and highlight success stories to inspire broader participation.
- Focus on emotional storytelling to create stronger public and stakeholder engagement.
- Diversify funding sources to prevent over-reliance on limited resources.
- Foster personal connections and align shared goals to sustain momentum.
- Develop actionable toolkits and a knowledge repository to enhance capacity.
- Link air pollution efforts to local challenges for broader relevance and support.

• Simplify and make research accessible to a wider audience for informed decision-making.

## Collaboration Tools

- Establish a shared repository for research, toolkits, and resources to foster learning and collaboration.
- Implement equitable funding strategies to support diverse groups.
- Develop tools and training programs to build capacity and promote knowledge-sharing.