India is currently implementing the Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC) Phase out Management Plan (HPMP) in line with the accelerated phase out schedule of HCFCs of the Montreal Protocol.

As you are aware, in accordance with the Ozone Depleting Substances (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 and its amendments framed under the Environment Protection Act, the use of HCFC-141b in all the foam manufacturing sectors shall be phased out as on 1.1.2020.

Accordingly, all enterprises in foam manufacturing sector need to phase-out HCFC-141b in all the sub-sectors by 1.1.2020 and convert to non-HCFC blowing agents.

As part of HPMP, The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) and United Nations Development Program (UNDP) are organizing a Stakeholder Workshop on “Alternative Technologies to HCFC-141b in Foam Manufacturing Sector” on 8th February, 2019 in association with Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology (CIPET) Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Government of India. The main objective of the workshop is to make aware the foam manufacturing enterprises about the HCFC free alternative technologies and the process of technology conversion. The venue of the workshop is as follows:

Gulmohar Hall
Convention Centre
India Habitat Centre,
Lodhi Road
New Delhi – 110003

The workshop will have technical presentations from national & International experts on alternative technologies available with special focus on Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). The enterprises participating in the workshop shall get an opportunity to interact with national and international experts. Enterprises who had earlier undertaken the conversion in HPMP Stage-I shall also share their experience on the technology conversion projects supported by the Multilateral Fund (MLF).