

# Assessment and Monitoring of Environmental Compliance by Industries



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# Stone Crushing Industry

- Stone crushers are small scale industries with low capital investment (varying between Rs. 5 to 10 lakhs)
- Stone crushing in India is basically a labor intensive operation where the loading of stone into the crusher, conveying the product materials from separating screens, loading and unloading operations are performed manually
- The production capacity of stone crushers varies from 30 300 MT/day
- The study area at Trisoolam is located at a distance of 20 km to the southwest of Chennai



A View of the Stone Quarry



**Transportation of Quarried Material to Stone Crushers** 



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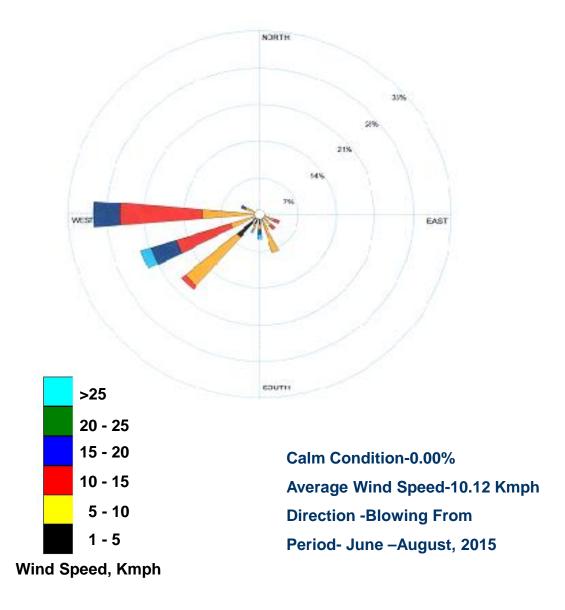
**A View of Stone Crusher in Operation** 



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**A Close View of Stone Crusher** 



**Windrose Pattern at Stone Crushing Units, Trisoolam** 

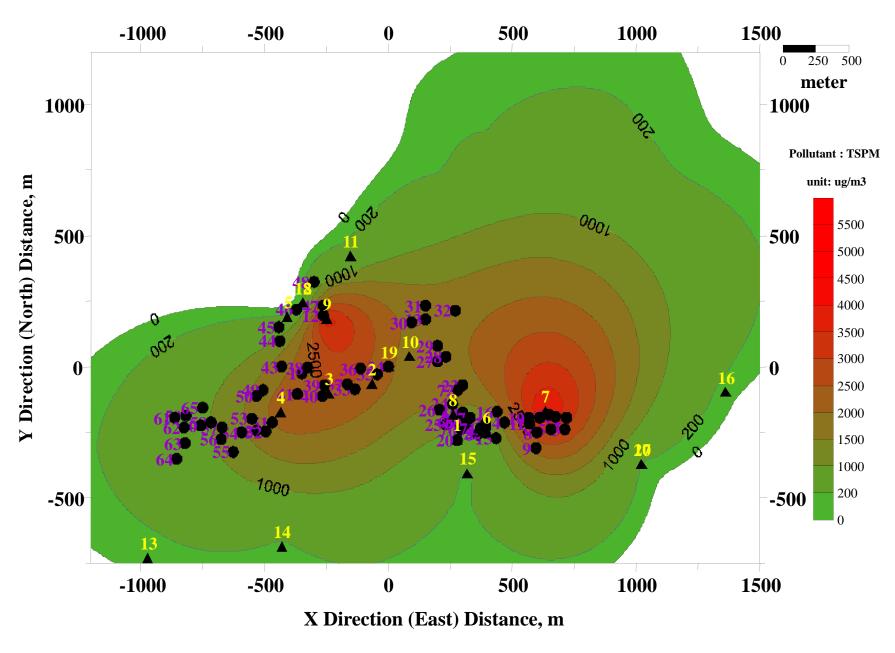
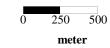


Fig. Isopleths showing measured concentration



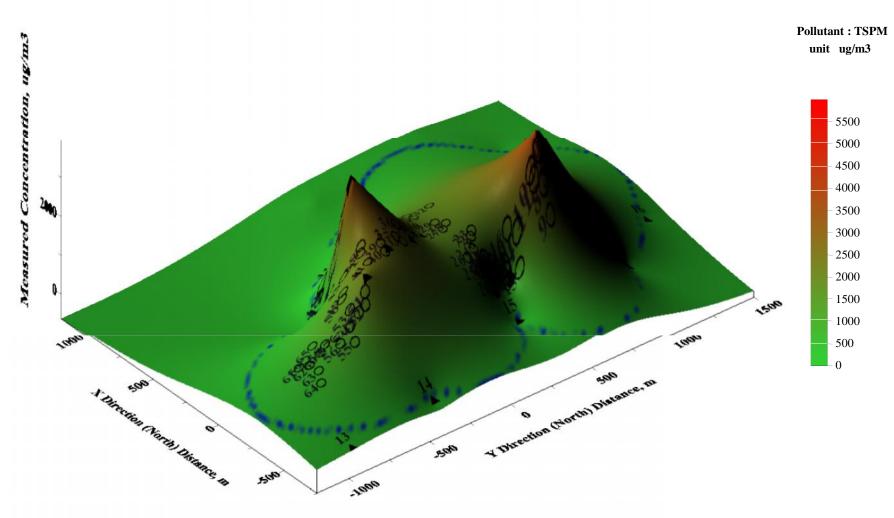
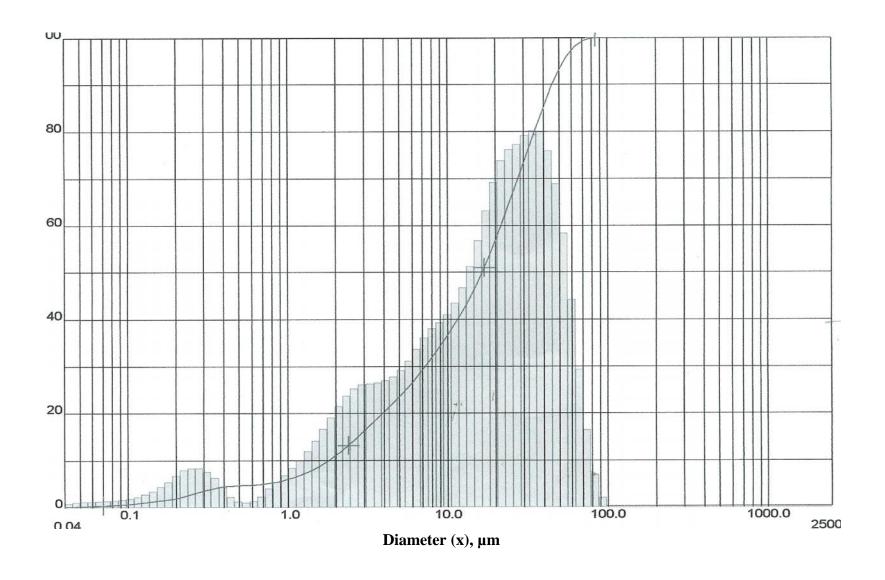
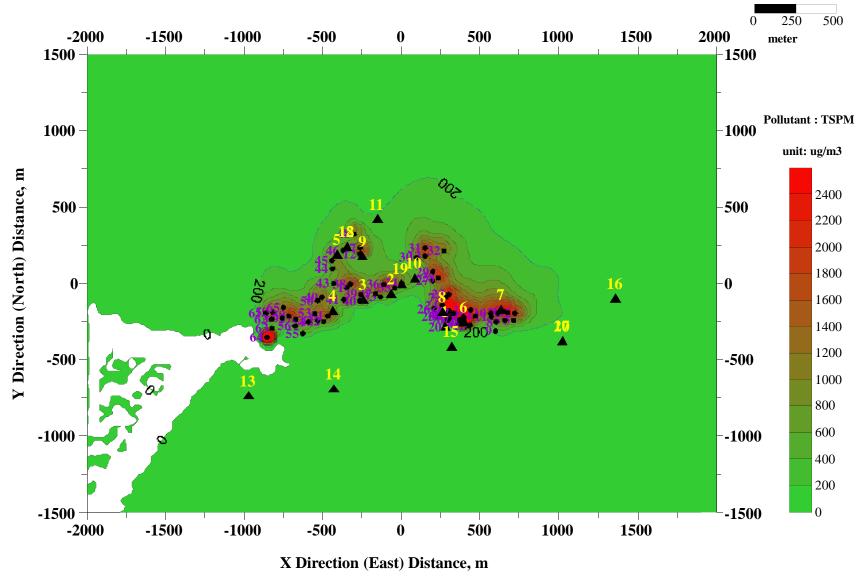


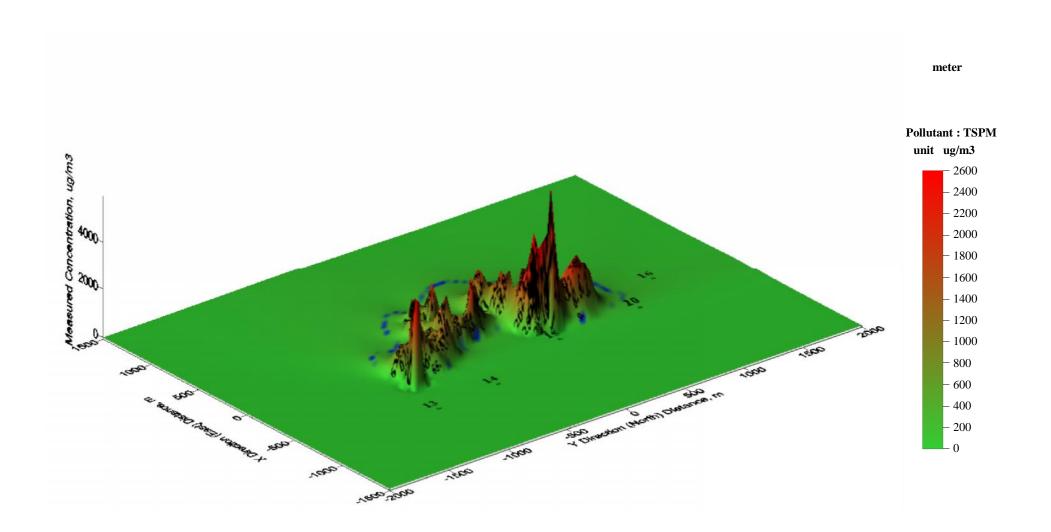
Fig. Surfer showing measured concentration



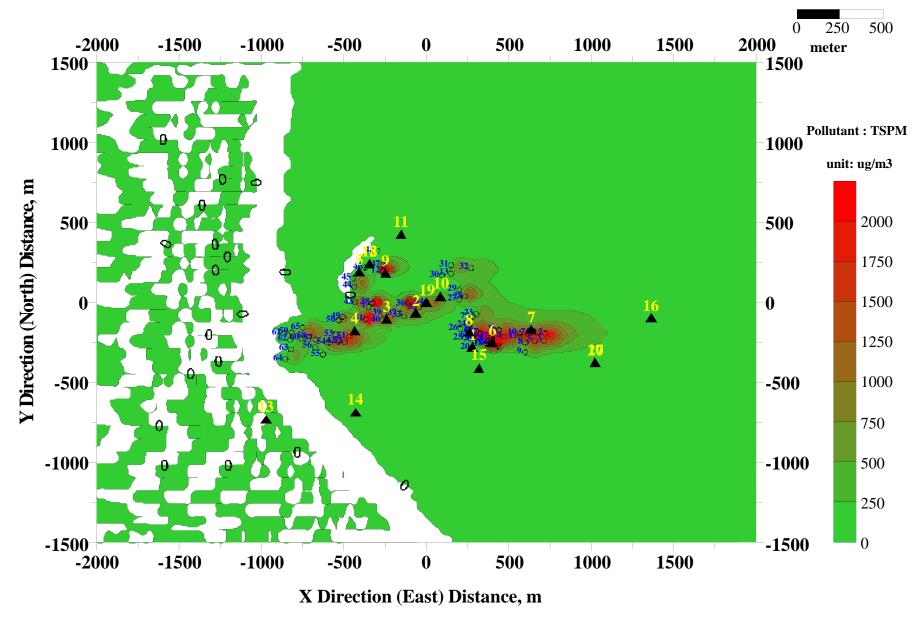
Particle Size Distribution



**Isopleths showing AERMOD predicted concentration** 



**Surfer showing AERMOD Predicted concentration** 



**Isopleths showing ISCST3 predicted concentration** 

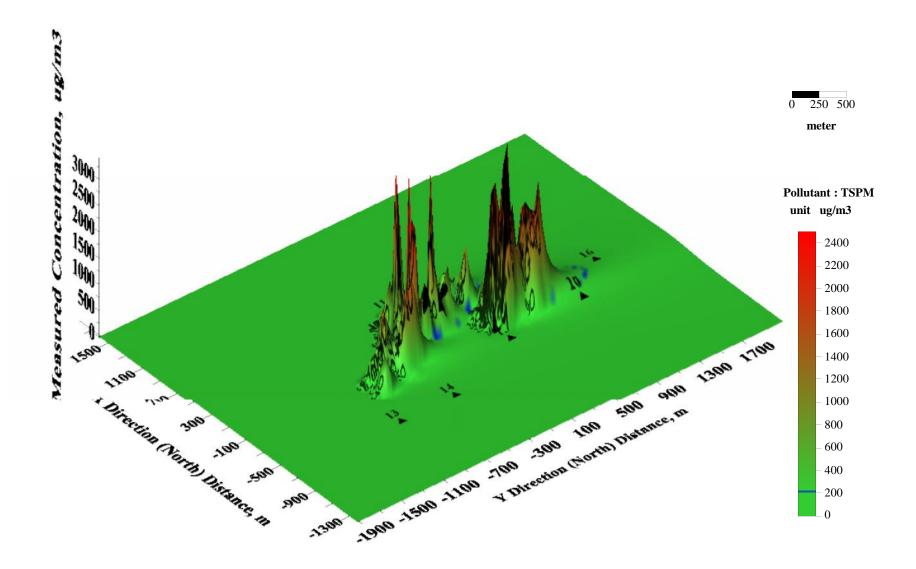
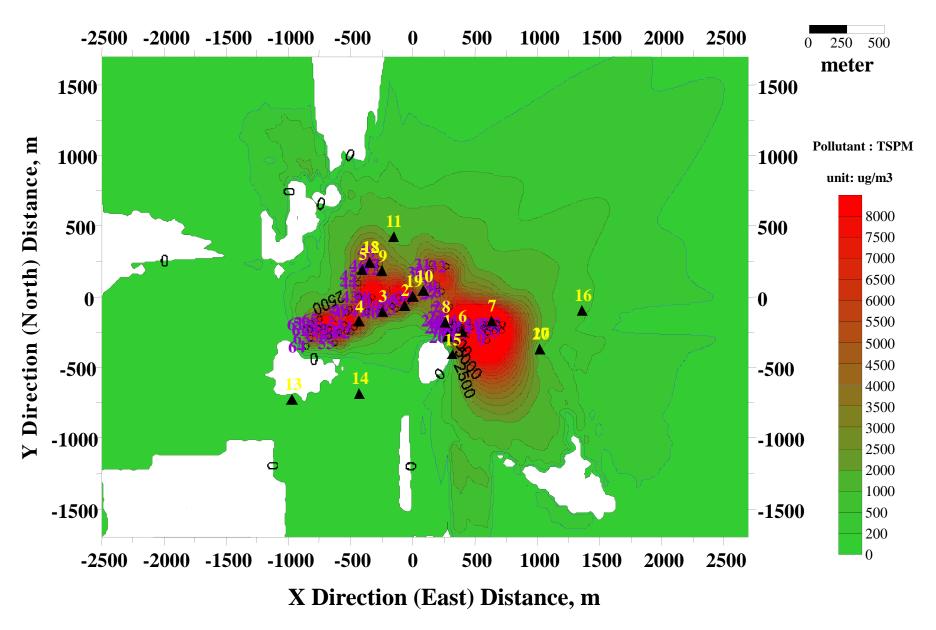
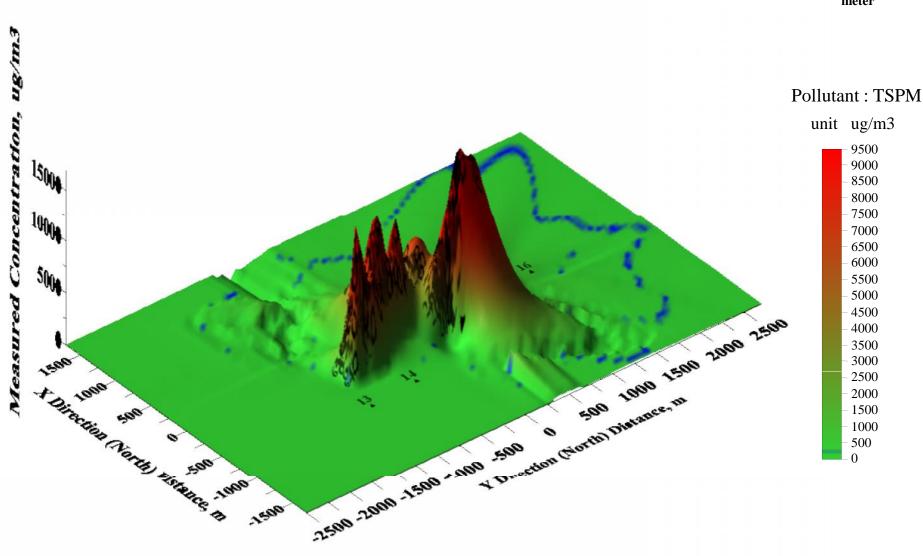


Fig. Surfer showing ISCST3 Predicted concentration



**Isopleths showing FDM predicted concentration** 





**Surfer showing FDM Predicted concentration** 

# Impact Zone based on Monitoring and Models predicted concentration

MODEL	Maximum		Minimum		Average
	Dir.	Dist, m	Dir.	Dist, m	Dist, m
AERMOD	65	1255	15	35	679
ISCST3	110	1056	225	43	<b>501</b>
FDM	<b>46</b>	2650	235	<b>53</b>	1335
Measured	68	1350	230	211	<b>784</b>

## **Control Measures**

The standards consist of two parts:

Implementation of following pollution control measures

- Dust containment cum suppression system for the equipment
- Construction of wind breaking walls
- Construction of metalled roads within the premises
- Regular cleaning and wetting of the ground within the premises
- Growing of a green belt along the periphery Quantitative standard for the TSPM
  - The suspended particulate matter measured between 3 10m from any process equipment of a stone crushing unit shall not exceed 600 µg/m<sup>3</sup>

# Recommendations

- NPC dust containment and dust suppression system should be provided
- Paving of roads should be adopted
- Fine powder should be collected at the ground Conveyor chute should be provided at the discharge points
- Drop height for the conveyor operations should kept at the minimum
- The fine powder should be disposed off periodically
- Covering of fine dust with tarpaulin during storage and transport to final destination should be practiced

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