

Country: Argentina

Agenda item: Addressing Health Issues Caused by Air Pollution

Argentina is located in South America and next to the South Atlantic Ocean, between Chile and Uruguay. Argentina 's livelihoods are Agriculture, forestry, and fishing. Argentina has an important place in selling soybeans, wheat and meat to other countries. Argentina's capital is Buenos Aires. Argentina has the largest economy in Latin America. Argentina has good agriculture and livestock industries and is a leading food producer. The official language is Spanish.

Air pollution is an important topic for today. Some natural sources cause air pollution like volcanic eruptions, wild fires and allergens. Mostly human activities cause air pollution like vehicle emission, factories and burning fossil fuels. Air pollution causes important health issues and it harms almost all organs in human body. This causes important health problems too like stroke, heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, lung cancer, pneumonia and cataract. But it not only harms the human body but also harms the Earth. It causes climate change. Air pollution mostly makes it hard for children and elders to breathe. But surprisingly, people aged 18 to 30 are affected by air pollution the most. Almost 20,600 to 63,300 people die in Argentina because of air pollution. And in Argentina, aging diesel buses cause air pollution the most.

In 2018 Argentina joined the Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC) and worked with the CCAC partners. Since then, Argentina worked on black carbon emission from heavy dust diesel vehicles and engines, as well as ways to develop them. Argentina created the National Cabinet of Climate Change to reduce emission and follow the Paris agreement in 2016. They made Climate action plans to have more forestry, energy and transport. These plans helped Argentina to become the first country to send its Determined contribution to the UN (United Nations) in 2016. If Argentina follows the plan, they can reach their NDC target.

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