

Table 3 Ambient air quality standards in some countries of the South-East Asia Region

Pollutant/ Averaging time	Indonesia	Sri Lanka	Thailand	Bangladesh		India, 1994	
	1988	1994	1995		Industrial area	Residential/ rural area	Sensitive area
	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)
<i>Carbon monoxide</i>							
1 h	–	30 000	34 000	–	10 000	4 000	2 000
8 h	2 260	10 000	10 260	5 000	5 000	2 000	1 000
<i>Ozone</i>							
1 h	200	200	200	–	–	–	–
<i>Nitrogen dioxide</i>							
1 h	–	250	320	–	–	–	–
8 h	–	150	–	–	–	–	–
24 h	92.5	100	–	100	120	80	30
Annual	–	–	–	–	80	60	15
<i>Sulfur dioxide</i>							
1 h	–	200	–	–	–	–	–
8 h	–	120	–	–	–	–	–
24 h	260	80	300	120	120	80	30
Annual	–	–	100	–	80	60	15
<i>Lead</i>							
24 h	60	2	–	–	1.5	1.0	0.75
Monthly	–	–	1.5	–	–	–	–
Annual	–	0.5	–	–	1	0.75	0.5
<i>Total suspended particulate matter</i>							
1 h	–	500	–	–	–	–	–
8 h	–	–	–	500	–	–	–
24 h	260	300	330	–	500	200	100
Annual	–	100	100	–	360	140	70
<i>Particulate matter < 10 μm diameter</i>							
24 h	–	–	120	–	150	100	75
Annual	–	–	50	–	120	60	50