

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

Execution Application No. 41/2023
In
Original Application No. 94/2021

WITH

M.A. No. 48/2024
In
Original Application No. 94/2021

Haider Ali

Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 26.11.2024

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRAKASH SHRIVASTAVA, CHAIRPERSON
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR AGARWAL, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

Applicant: Mr. Ali Md. Maaz, Adv. for Applicant in E.A 41/2023 & M.A 48/2024

Respondents: Mr. Abhinav Mukerji, Senior Advocate with Ms. Bihu Sharma, Advs. for BCCI (Through VC)
Mr. Samrat Sen, Senior Advocate with Ms. Manali Ali, Mr. Paritosh Sinha, Mr. Amitava Mitra & Ms. Priyata Chakraborty, Advs. for R - 12 (Through VC)
Mr. Sanjay Upadhyay, Senior Advocate with Ms. Mansi Bachani, Ms. Gitanjali Sanyal & Mr. Surya Gupta, Advs. for R - 27
Mr. Gigi. C. George, Adv. for CGWA
Mr. S.P. Deshpande, Adv. for R - 13 (VCA Stadium)
Mr. Azim H. Laskar, Mr. Kishor Dutta and Mr. Bikar Kar Gupta, Advs. for R - 8
Mr. Dinesh Sharma & Ms. Ritika Jhurani, Advs. for R - 9, 17 & 26
Mr. Kunal Mimani, Mr. Kartikey Bhatt, Mr. Abhinav Rana & Ms. Deepti Karadkar, Advs. for R - 19
Mr. Aditya Verma, Mr. Samar Singh, Mr. K. Rigved Prasad, Adv. for R - 23
Mr. Prashant Mishra & Mr. Akash Alex, Advs. for R - 25 (Through VC)
Mr. Prashant Manchanda, Adv. for Punjab Cricket Association
Mr. Varun Byreddy, Adv. for ACA - VDCA Stadium
Mr. Prabhu Prasanna Behera, Adv. (Through VC)
Ms. Prapti Shrivastava, Adv. (Through VC)

ORDER

1. In these applications, the Tribunal is examining the issue of use of groundwater/fresh water for maintaining the cricket play grounds without resorting to the alternate use of STP treated water and also

without installing Rain Water Harvesting System (RWHS) for storage, discharge and the restoration of the groundwater.

2. Report/replies from the respondents have been received.

3. The Tribunal by the order dated 13.08.2024 had permitted Counsel for the Applicant to compile the information furnished by the respondents in the tabulated form.

4. In pursuance to the said direction, Applicant has filed the tabulated information in the response filed on 25.11.2024.

5. An objection has been raised by the Counsel for the respondents that the information tabulated by the Applicant is not complete and is not correct.

6. Hence, we direct Counsel for Respondent – CGWA to compile the information disclosed in the response of the Respondents – Cricket Stadiums and tabulate it specifically including the status of borewells, extent of groundwater drawal, permission for the borewell, status of use of STP treated water and status of RWHS installed in the stadiums, the environmental compensation imposed by the Board and the status of deposit of environmental compensation. Along with the aforesaid compilation of information, the Respondent – CGWA will also file the guidelines in respect of the use of water by the cricket stadium or similar other set-ups and the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court/Tribunal passed in this regard.

7. Counsel for the Applicant has also submitted that some of the Respondent stadiums have not filed their replies. He is directed to ascertain if they have been properly impleaded and served and take fresh steps to serve them if they are not properly served.

8. List on 19.03.2025.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

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