

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

Original Application No. 249/2023

News item on India's Sinking Islands appeared in the Hindu 19.03.2023

WITH

Original Application No. 795/2023

News Item titled "Third of India's coastline vulnerable to erosion - here are the worst-hit states" appearing in Indian Express dated 06.12.2023

Date of hearing: 11.09.2024

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

Respondents: Dr. Swati Jindal Garg & Ms. Sowmya China, Advs. for MoEF & CC in OA 249/2023 (Through VC)
Mr. Ravinder Kumar Gupta, Adv. for MoEF & CC in OA 795/2023 (Through VC)
Mr. Nalin Kohli, Senior Advocate (Through VC) with Mr. Abhay Anil Anturkar, Mr. Dhruv Tank, Mr. Anshul Malik, Ms. Shruti Agrawal & Mr. Aniruddha Awalgaoonkar, Advs. for the State of Goa
Ms. Madhumita Bhattacharjee, Adv. for the State of West Bengal
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Mr. Abhimanyu Garg, Adv. for UT of Puducherry
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Ms. Madhuri Donti Reddy, Adv. for Andhra Pradesh CZMA (Through VC)
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Mr. Maulik Nanavati, Adv. for Gujarat CZMA (Through VC)
Mr. Apoorv Kurup & Ms. Aanchal, Advs. for UT of Lakshadweep (Through VC)

ORDER

1. At this stage, the issue of preparation of CZMPs and IIMPs by the Coastal States and Union Territories (UTs) is being examined by the Tribunal.
2. In terms of the previous direction dated 24.05.2024, the counsel for MoEF&CC was required to tabulate and summarise the stand of the respective States/UTs reflected in their reply and file the tabulated information. No such tabulated information as required by the Tribunal

by the previous order was filed by the MoEF&CC during working hours of the Tribunal till yesterday. It is stated by Counsel for the MoEF&CC that the said tabulated information has been filed after the working hours of the Tribunal which is not in consonance with the Office Order of NGT dated 04.09.2024. Since the tabulated information has been filed after the working hours of the Tribunal, therefore, the same has not come on record.

3. Learned Counsel for MoEF&CC has submitted that in future she will ensure that all report, reply, etc. are filed by the MoEF&CC in terms of the Office Order dated 04.09.2024 by 3.00 pm of the previous working day.

4. Since the needful to be done by MoEF&CC has not come on record, there is no option but to give a short adjournment.

5. List on 03.10.2024.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

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