

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

Original Application No. 515/2023
(IA No 824/2025, IA No 557/2024, IA No 458/2024)

Ganga Pollution Applicant

Versus

State of UP & Ors. Respondent(s)

With

Original Application No. 516/2023

M/s Sundrop Colonizers Pvt. Ltd. Applicant

Versus

State of UP & Ors. Respondent(s)

With

Original Application No. 517/2023

Gokul Chandra Sharma & Ors. Applicant(s)

Versus

State of UP & Ors. Respondent(s)

With

Original Application No. 518/2023
(I.A. No. 06/2024)

Sri Math (Jagatguru Ramanand
Acharya Peeth) & Anr. Applicant(s)

Versus

State of UP & Anr. Respondent(s)

With

Original Application No. 519/2023

Smt. Meena Mishra Applicant

Versus

State of UP Respondent

With

Original Application No. 520/2023

Smt. Vimla Devi		Applicant
	Versus	
State of UP		Respondent
	With	
Original Application No. 521/2023		
Sarvamangla Adhyatma Yog Vidya Peeth		Applicant
	Versus	
Union of India & Ors.		Respondent(s)
	With	
Original Application No. 522/2023		
Shri Shri Guruji Tapasthali		Applicant
	Versus	
State of UP & Ors.		Respondent(s)
	With	
Original Application No. 523/2023		
Vinod Kumar Pandey		Applicant
	Versus	
State of UP & Ors.		Respondent(s)
	With	
Original Application No. 524/2023		
Ram Rekha Jaiswal		Applicant
	Versus	
State of UP & Ors.		Respondent(s)
	With	
Original Application No. 525/2023		
Pt. Ram Chandra Sharma		Applicant
	Versus	
State of UP & Ors.		Respondent(s)
	With	
Original Application No. 526/2023 (I.A. No.288/2024)		
Ganga Sewa Abhiyan & Ors.		Applicant(s)
	Versus	
Union of India & Ors.		Respondent(s)
	With	

Original Application No. 527/2023
(I.A. Nos.296/2024 & 297/2024)

Kautilya Society & Anr.

Applicant(s)

Versus

State of Uttar Pradesh & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 19.12.2025

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

Applicants: Mr. Vaibhav Shukla, Mr. Akash Singh & Mr. Amit Upadhyay, Adv. for Applicant in OA 515/2023 (Through VC)
Ms. Mani Munjal, Adv. for Applicant in OA 526/2023 (Through VC)

Respondents: Mr. Bhanwar Pal Singh Jadon, Ms. Gargi Chaturvedi, Ms. Anjali Sharma, Ms. Disha Tiwari & Mr. Shivansh Sharma, Adv. for the State of UP
Mr. Sumeer Sodhi & Ms. Vanshika Jhamb, Adv. for R - 26 in OA 515/2023 (Through VC)
Mr. Pradeep Misra & Mr. Daleep Dhyani, Adv. for UPPCB
Mr. Vikrant Pachnanda, Adv. for MoEF & CC in OA 515, 526 & 527/2023
Mr. Gigi. C. George, Adv. for NMCG & Harish Chandra Institute
Mr. Vibhav Mishra, Adv. for Prayagraj Development Authority
Mr. Amit Tiwari & Mr. Chetanya Puri, Adv. for Varanasi Development Authority in OA 527/2023 (Through VC)
Mr. Atif Suhrawardy, Adv. for CPCB in OA 515 & 526/2023 (Through VC)
Mr. Kunal Singh, Adv. for R - 11 (Through VC)
Mr. Rajneesh Sharma, Mr. Muneeb A. Khan, Mr. Mohd. Osama & Mr. Abdul Ahad, Adv. in I.A No. 296-297/2024
Mr. Shrish Chandra, Adv. in I.A. 288/2024 (Through VC)
Mr. Adarsh Kumar Tiwari, Adv. for R - 25 (Through VC)

ORDER

1. The reply on behalf of the Chief Engineer, Sone, Irrigation and Water Resources Department, State of Uttar Pradesh dated 18.12.2025 in compliance of the order of the Tribunal dated 19.05.2025 has been filed disclosing the present status of the demarcation of the Flood Plain Zone of Segment-B, Phase-II, Unnao to Ballia. The status so disclosed in the above reply is as under:

"II PRESENT STATUS

8. The **process of physical demarcation** of River Ganga flood plain under **Segment-B, Phase-II (Unnao to Ballia)** is **presently ongoing**.

- That the physical demarcation of all the districts is **to be completed by 31.03.2026**.
- A total of **7,350 flood plain boundary pillars** are proposed to be fixed across **13 districts** of Uttar Pradesh.
- **Flood plain delineation has been completed in all districts** based on approved technical criteria.
- **Tendering process:**
 - Completed and work awarded in **10 districts**.
 - Tendering in **advanced stage in 3 districts**.

III DISTRICT-WISE DETAILED PROGRESS

S. No.	District	Executing Division	Total Pillars to be fixed	Present Status
1.	Kanpur Nagar	Lower Ganga Canal Division, Kanpur	248	Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; physical demarcation in progress; 18 pillars fixed
2.	Unnao	Unnao Khand, Sharda Nahar	390	Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; physical demarcation in progress; 25 pillars fixed
3.	Fatehpur	Fatehpur Division, Lower Ganga Canal	720	Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; physical demarcation in progress; 80 pillars fixed
4.	Raebareli	Raebareli Division-10, Sharda Canal	400	No bidder participated in first round of bidding process; in subsequent round acceptance issued to responsive contractor; work yet to commence
5.	Kaushambi	Irrigation Division, Kaushambi	422	Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; physical demarcation in progress; 50 pillars fixed
6.	Pratapgarh	Irrigation Division, Pratapgarh	261	No bidder participated in first round of bidding process; in subsequent round acceptance issued to responsive contractor; work yet to commence
7.	Prayagraj	Flood Works Division, Prayagraj	1210	Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; 100 pillars have been cast; fixing of pillars to start from Jan 2026
8.	Mirzapur	Mirzapur Canal Division, Irrigation Division Chunar	968	Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; 495 pillars cast; fixing to start from Jan 2026

		<i>Mirzapur and Bandhi Division, Varanasi</i>		
9.	<i>Bhadohi</i>	<i>Bandhi Division, Varanasi</i>	358	<i>Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor;</i>
10.	<i>Varanasi</i>	<i>Bandhi Division, Varanasi</i>	363	<i>Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor</i>
11.	<i>Chandauli</i>	<i>Bandhi Division, Varanasi</i>	479	<i>Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor</i>
12.	<i>Ghazipur</i>	<i>Irrigation Construction Division, Varanasi & Deokali Pump Canal Div.-I</i>	957	<i>Tender process completed and work awarded to contractor; 110 pillars cast; fixing scheduled</i>
13.	<i>Ballia</i>	<i>Flood Division, Ballia</i>	574	<i>Tendering at advanced stage and will be finalized by the end of this month</i>

9. That the Irrigation and Water Resources Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, is making **concerted efforts to complete the entire physical demarcation work of the Segment-B, Phase-II (Unnao to Ballia) by 31.03.2026**. That regular monitoring is being undertaken at departmental level to ensure timely completion and full compliance.

IV. PROGRESS WITH RESPECT TO THE TRIBUTARIES OF GANGA

10. That further it is submitted that the progress report with respect to the tributaries of Ganga is herein as under:

S. No.	Name of River	Chief Engineer Concerned with Flood Plain Zone Delineation	Stretch	Reference of Hon'ble NGT O.A.	Final Date for Completion of Flood Plain Zone Delineation
1	Ganga (Segment B Phase-1)	Chief Engineer, Ganga	Bijnor to Kanpur	200/2014	Completed
	Ganga (Segment B Phase-2)	Chief Engineer, Information System Organization	Unnao to Ballia	200/2014	Completed
2	Yamuna	Chief Engineer, Ramganga	Asgarpur to Etawah and Shahpur to Prayagraj	673/2018	Completed
3	Kali (East)	Chief Engineer, Ganga	Muzaffarnagar to Gulawathi	673/2018	In Progress
4	Varuna	Chief Engineer, Son	Rameshwar to Varanasi	673/2018, 483/2022	In Progress
5	Hindon	Chief Engineer, Yamuna	Saharanpur to Ghaziabad	673/2018	In Progress

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6	Gomti	Chief Engineer, Sharda Sahayak	Sitapur to Varanasi	673/2018	31.03.2027
7	Ramganga	Chief Engineer, Eastern Ganga	Moradabad to Kannauj	673/2018	June 2026
8	Betwa	Chief Engineer, Betwa	Hamirpur to Vagpura	673/2018	Under Process
9	Ghaghra	Chief Engineer, Gandak	Barhalganj to Deoria	673/2018	In Progress
10	Rapti	Chief Engineer, Gandak	Domingarh to Rajghat	673/2018	In Progress
11	Sai	Chief Engineer, Sharda Sahayak	Unnao to Jaunpur	673/2018	31.03.2027
12	Saryu	Chief Engineer, Gandak / Sharda Sahayak	Ayodhya to Ilfatganj	673/2018	31.03.2027
13	Suvav	Chief Engineer, Saryu-2	Entire Length	433/2022	Completed
14.	Tedhi	Chief Engineer, Saryu-1	Chittora Lake to Lolpur Vikamajot	402/2024	In Progress
15	Budhi Ganga	Chief Engineer, Ganga	Chausana Village to Khwajapura	511/2023	In Progress
16	Solani	Chief Engineer, Ganga	Raharanpur to Muzaffarnagar	632/2022	Completed
17	Khokhri	Chief Engineer, Yamuna	Dongri Dam to confluence with Sindh River	201/2024	In Progress
18	Pandu	Chief Engineer, Ramganga	Entire Length	985/2019	In Progress
19	Noon	Chief Engineer, Ramganga	Entire Length	985/2019	In Progress
20	Sengur	Chief Engineer, Ramganga	Entire Length	985/2019	In Progress
21	Assi	Chief Engineer, Son	Entire Length	483/2022	In Progress
22	Ishan	Chief Engineer, Ramganga	Entire Length	515/2023	In Progress
23	Kali (West)	Chief Engineer, Ganga	Entire Length	515/2023	In Progress
24	Krishni	Chief Engineer, Ganga	Entire Length	515/2023	In Progress

V. STATUS OF PHYSICAL DEMARCATION OF THE RIVER YAMUNA

- The delineation has been completed.
- The project has been formulated and duly approved by the Chief Engineer Committee.
- The estimation work is Complete.

- *The project has been approved by Technical Audit Committee of Flood Control Council of Uttar Pradesh Govt.*
- *Project has been Presented in Steering Committee for approval*
- *Project has to be send for approval to G.F.C.C (Ganga Flood Control Commission).*
- *21582 Pillars have to be fixed in seventeen districts of Uttar Pradesh work will be start after approval of G.F.C.C. and is scheduled to be completed by 31.03.2026.”*

2. Learned Counsel for the State has submitted that the exercise of fixing the pillars at the ground level will be completed by 31.03.2026. He has submitted that the work of physical demarcation of the flood plain under this segment will be completed by 31.03.2026.

3. Hence, we direct the State of UP to file the further progress/status report atleast one week before the next date of hearing.

4. The National Institute of Hydrology vide its communication dated 17.04.2025 (page 6065) had recommended for placing the flood plain zone lines on the web portal for easy access to public. The said recommendation is as under:

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8. *Delineated flood plain overlaid on 1 m Contour map from SOI (District Varanasi, Sheet No. G44R03N) at 1:10000 Scale*

9. *Delineated flood plain overlaid on 1 m Contour map from SOI (District Varanasi, Part of Sheet No. G44R03N) at 1:4000 Scale*

It is recommended that the flood plain zone lines should be put on web portal for easy excess to the public and various developmental activities. Irrigation and Water resources Department U.P. should keep in his custody DEM, 1 m Contour maps and Flood Plain zone boundary and other relevant maps and GIS data for future use.”

5. Learned Counsel for the State has submitted that the above recommendation will be duly complied with.

6. IA No. 515/2023 has been filed by the Prayagraj Development Authority seeking clarification. Learned Counsel for the Applicant is directed to supply a copy of this IA to Counsel for all the concerned parties,

who will have an opportunity to file reply to the IA atleast one week before the next date of hearing.

7. List on 10.02.2026.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

December 19, 2025
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and connected OAs.
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