

Item No. 6

(Court No. 2)

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

(Through Physical Hearing with Hybrid VC Option)

Original Application No. 578/2022

Ram Singh

...Applicant

Versus

State of Uttarakhand & Ors.

...Respondents

Date of hearing: 02.03.2023

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, JUDICIAL MEMBER.
HON'BLE DR. AFROZ AHMAD, EXPERT MEMBER.**

Applicant: None for applicant.

Respondent: Mr. Rahul Verma, AAG for State of Uttarakhand and other State respondents (Respondents No. 1 to 3 and 6).
Mr. Ajit Rajesh and Maibam N Singh, Advocates for Respondent No. 4.
Mr. Mukesh Verma, Advocate for Respondent No. 5.
None for Respondent No. 7.

Application is registered based on a letter petition received by Post.

ORDER

1. Learned Counsel for Respondents No. 1 to 3 and 6, Respondent No. 4 and Respondent No. 5 seek some more time for filing of reply/response on behalf of Respondents No. 1 to 6.
2. Reply/response on behalf of Respondents No. 1 to 6 be filed **within six weeks** by email at judicial-ngt@gov.in preferably in the form of searchable PDF/OCR supported PDF and not in the form of Image PDF.
3. Learned Counsel for Respondents No. 1 to 3 and 6 has submitted that notice could not be served on Respondent No. 7-the Project Proponent due to extreme winter conditions in the State of Uttarakhand

and he seeks time for compliance with order regarding service of notice on Respondent No. 7.

4. The Registry is directed to issue notice to Respondent No. 7 again. The same be sent through the District Magistrate, Pithoragarh for getting service of the same effected on Respondent No. 7 and sending his report in this regard to this Tribunal.

5. List for further consideration on 27.04.2023.

6. In the facts and circumstances of the case, we also consider presence of the PCCF (HoFF), Government of Uttarakhand, the Managing Director, Kumaon Mandal Vikas Nigam, the Regional Officer, UKPCB and the District Magistrate, Pithoragarh through VC before this Tribunal on the date fixed to be essential for assisting this Tribunal in just and proper adjudication of the questions involved in the case and accordingly, they are directed to remain present through VC before this Tribunal on the date fixed.

7. A copy of this order be sent to the PCCF (HoFF), Government of Uttarakhand, the Managing Director, Kumaon Mandal Vikas Nigam, the Regional Officer, UKPCB and the District Magistrate, Pithoragarh by email for requisite compliance.

Arun Kumar Tyagi, JM

Dr. Afroz Ahmad, EM

March 02, 2023
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