

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

Original Application No.200/2014
(C.W.P. No. 3727/1985)
(I.A. No. 340/2022)

M.C. Mehta

Versus

Applicant

Union of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 04.12.2023

**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: Ms. Katyayni, Advocate

Respondent: Ms. Garima Prashad, AAG with Ms. Priyanka Swami & Ms. Simran
Sehgal, Advs. for the State of Uttar Pradesh
Mr. Gigi. C. George, Adv. for NMCG
Mr. Daleep Dhyani, Adv. for UPPCB (Through VC)

ORDER

1. The issue under consideration relates to prevention, control and abatement of pollution of River Ganga State-wise and District-wise. Hence, in continuation of earlier orders, the matter is listed today for considering the issues relating to various districts in the State of UP from where river Ganga or its tributary are flowing.
2. In terms of the direction of the Tribunal dated 11.09.2023, reports have been filed by some of the districts yesterday. It has been pointed out by learned Counsel of the State of UP that out of 75 districts, reports have been filed from 43 districts and that the reports are still awaited from remaining 32 districts.
3. A compliance report of NMCG dated November, 2023 filed in terms of the order dated 18.09.2023 indicates water quality of River Ganga

during 2018-2022 is fit for bathing at Bijnour, Prayagraj, Hapur, Anoopshahr, Bulandshahar and Badaun with respect to desirable norms of fecal coliform as 500 MPN/100ml and fecal streptococcus as 100MPN/100ml in the State of UP. On rest of the points, the water quality is unfit for bathing.

4. The Tribunal in the order dated 24.11.2023 had specified the different heads and subheads under which the reports from each of the district was required to be submitted. The main heads were sewage, municipal solid waste disposal, construction and demolition waste, industrial effluent discharge, regulation of flood plain zone, bio-medical waste and mining.

5. Learned Counsel for the State of UP fairly submits that in the reports which have been filed, all these heads and sub-heads are not covered. She has submitted that since the reports were forwarded by some of the districts in pursuance to order of the Tribunal dated 11.09.2023 before passing of the order dated 24.11.2023, therefore, the heads and sub-heads which are specified in the order dated 24.11.2023 could not be covered.

6. Learned Counsel for the Applicant has also submitted that the report which have been filed do not contain the particulars relating to C&D waste, waste generated by the Hotels, Ashrams and Dharamshalas, etc., the hazardous waste and e-waste. She has also submitted that full particulars relating to the industries and industrial areas set up within the concerned districts have not been disclosed.

7. Counsel for the State of UP is directed to ensure that in the next report full particulars, as mentioned above and as required by order dated 24.11.2023, are disclosed by each of the district. Learned Counsel

for the State of UP submits that the report on behalf of all the 75 districts will now be filed and the contents thereof will be tabulated/summarized in a chart form and produced before the Tribunal within six weeks.

8. List on 24.01.2024.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

December 04, 2023
Original Application No.200/2014
(C.W.P. No. 3727/1985)
(I.A. No. 340/2022)
DV