

Item No. 18

Court No. 1

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

Original Application No. 200/2014
(I.A. No. 340/2022, M.A. Nos.872/2018, 875/2014 & 480/2018)

M.C. Mehta	Versus	Applicant
Union of India & Ors.		Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 20.01.2025

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, Adv. for Applicant

Respondent: Ms. Garima Prashad, AAG with Ms. Priyanka Swami, Adv. for the State of UP
 Mr. Pradeep Misra & Mr. Daleep Dhyani, Advs. for UPPCB (Through VC)
 Mr. Aditya Vaibhav Singh, Adv. for UPPCB (Through VC)
 Mr. Gigi. C. George & Mr. Ishwer Singh, Advs. for NMCG
 Mr. Raj Kumar, Adv. for CPCB

ORDER

1. Tribunal on 06.11.2024 had directed the State of UP to disclose the timeline for tapping the drains, setting up the STPs treating the sewage from the drains, etc., by observing as under:-

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7. Learned Counsel for the applicant referring to Annexure-2 of the report of CPCB has submitted that several untapped drains exist in different cities and, therefore, the State must disclose the timeline for tapping these drains and for setting up the STPs for treating the sewage from these drains. Hence, we require the Chief Secretary, State of UP to file the affidavit disclosing the information relating to each of the drains in different districts, sewage generated from it, the

STP to which it is proposed to be connected, the timeline for making the STP functional, funds which are available, identification and allotment of land for setting up the STP. Let this information be provided in the following tabulated form:

<i>I</i>	<i>II</i>	<i>III</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>V</i>			<i>VI</i>	<i>VII</i>
<i>Name of Drain</i>	<i>District/Town</i>	<i>If tapped or untapped</i>	<i>Quantity of sewage discharged from the drain</i>	<i>STP to which the drain is proposed to be connected after tapping</i>	<i>Status of land allotted for STP</i>	<i>Status of funds provided for the STP</i>	<i>Timeline for making the STP functional</i>	<i>Timeline for completing the household connectivity to that STP</i>

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2. Though, an affidavit on behalf of the Chief Secretary, State of UP in pursuance to the order dated 06.11.2024 has been filed but above details relating to the drains have not been disclosed.
3. Learned AAG appearing for the State of UP submits that information has been collected, and ground verification of the information concerning the drains and their trapping and discharge of untreated sewage in the river is under verification.
4. Learned Counsel for the applicant submits that she has filed submissions on 18.01.2025. Submissions have not come on record. She has submitted that in the said submissions it has been disclosed that in the year 2024, there was zero progress in all the districts of the State of UP with respect to sewage treatment, bio-medical waste, municipal solid waste, legacy waste, industries versus hazardous waste. She submits that a copy thereof has been supplied to Counsel for the State of UP who will have an opportunity to response to the same within two weeks.
5. Learned Counsel for the applicant has also submitted that atleast for districts Kanpur Nagar, Fatehpur, Varanasi, Mirzapur, Ghazipur,

Balia, Sambhal, Meerut and Baghpat, Chandauli, State of UP should file response as directed by order dated 06.11.2024 and disclose the complete details relating to existing drains, their tapping/untapping, STPs treating the discharge from these drains and discharge of untreated sewage in the river from the drains. Let this affidavit be filed by the State of UP within a period of two weeks

6. Having regard to the issue involved in the matter the Head of the UP State Ganga Committee is directed to remain virtually present to assist the Tribunal on the next date of hearing.

7. List on 17.02.2025.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

January 20, 2025
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