

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

Original Application No. 726/2023

News Item titled "Deforestation ill-planned construction and unscientific - illegal mining behind Himachal Pradesh's monsoon catastrophe" appearing in The Hindu dated 25.11.2023.

Date of hearing: 03.12.2024

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

Respondent: Mr. Divyanshu Kumar Srivastava, Adv. for the State of HP (Through VC).
Mr. Pursoth Kannan, Adv. for HPSPCB (Through VC).

ORDER

1. In compliance of order dated 09.05.2024 report has been filed by HPSPCB via email dated 13.08.2024. However, reply has not been filed by State of H.P.

2. In its report respondent no. 2 – HPSPCB has mentioned that HPSPCB has imposed EC of Rs, 2,53,81,250/- against the defaulter out of which amount of Rs. 1,68,12,500/- has been recovered/deposited with HPSPCB and action is being taken for recovery of remaining amount.

3. Learned Counsel for State of H.P. seeks four week's time to file reply while Learned Counsel for HPSPCB seeks four week's time for filing further status report regarding recovery of EC.

4. Reply by State of H.P. and further status report by HPSPCB be filed at least one week before the next date of hearing.

5. List on 26.03.2025 for further consideration.

Arun Kumar Tyagi, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

December 03, 2024
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