

Item No. 33

Court No. 2

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

Original Application No. 371/2023

Jagdish Raj Saini & Ors.

Applicant(s)

Versus

State of Punjab

Respondent

Date of hearing: 29.05.2023

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR AGARWAL, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

**Application is registered based on a complaint received by post/e-mail**

**ORDER**

1. This Original Application under Sections 14 and 15 of National Green Tribunal Act, 2010 has been registered on a letter petition dated 21.02.2023 received from Adhunik Vihar Welfare Society, District Pathankot (State of Punjab) through its office bearers led by Shri Jagdish Raj Saini, President.

2. The complaint is that Adhunik Vihar Welfare Society is surrounded by River Chakki on Southern side, Narrow Gauge Railway line on Northern Side, Angel School, Army establishment on the eastern side and Orchard on the western side. These orchards, providing green belt, are being destroyed by a private builder namely, Naresh Mahajan but despite of information to the authorities concerned, no appropriate action has been taken in the matter.

3. In our view, the issue raised in the application, at the first instance, can be looked into by the local authorities and in this regard, we constitute a Joint Committee comprising Punjab Pollution Control Board and District Magistrate, Pathankot who shall look into the matter, collect relevant informations and if finds any violation, would take appropriate, remedial and preventive action in accordance with law within two months.

4. State PCB shall be the nodal agency for co-ordination and compliance of this order.

5. Subject to above directions, this application is disposed of.

6. A copy of this order be forwarded to State PCB and District Magistrate, Pathankot by e-mail for compliance.

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

May 29, 2023  
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