

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

Original Application No. 606/2022
(IA Nos. 825/2023, 813/2023, 749/2023,
738/2023, 737/2023, 262/2022 & 189/2024)

Public Action Committee Applicant

Versus

State of Punjab Respondent(s)

WITH

Appeal No. 33/2023
(IA No.112/2024)

Malbros International PVT LTD Appellant

Versus

Punjab Pollution Control Board Respondent(s)

WITH

Appeal No. 34/2023
(IA No. 81/2024)

Malbros International PVT LTD Appellant

Versus

Punjab Pollution Control Board Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 03.11.2025

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE PRAKASH SHRIVASTAVA, CHAIRPERSON
HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON’BLE DR. AFROZ AHMAD, EXPERT MEMBER**

Applicant/Appellant: Mr. Colin Gonsalves, Senior Advocate with Mr. Kawalpreet Kaur & Mr. Deepak Kumar Singh, Advocate for Applicant in OA 606/2022
Mr. Pinaki Misra, Senior Advocate & Mr. Sanjay Upadhyay, Senior Advocate with Ms. Eisha Krishn, Mr. Surya Gupta & Ms. Gitanjali Sanyal, Advs. for Appellant in Appeal 33-34/2023

Respondents: Mr. Colin Gonsalves, Senior Advocate with Mr. Kawalpreet Kaur & Mr. Deepak Kumar Singh, Advocate for R - 8 Sanjha Morcha, Zira and in I.A No. 81 & 112/2024

Mr. Shadan Farasat, AAG, Mr. Talha Abdul Rehman, DAG with
Mr. Udit Malik, Ms. Varisha Sharma, Mr. Faizan Ahmad & Mr.
Kartik Malik, Advs. for the State of Punjab
Mr. Pinaki Misra, Senior Advocate & Mr. Sanjay Upadhyay, Senior
Advocate with Ms. Eisha Krishn, Mr. Surya Gupta & Ms. Gitanjali
Sanyal, Advs. for Respondent no. 7-M/s Malbros International
Pvt. Ltd.
Mr. Balendu Shekhar & Ms. Tanisha Samanta, Advs. for R-5
(CPCB) (Through VC)
Mr. Naginder Benipal, Adv. for PPCB

ORDER

1. IA No. 701/2025 has been filed by the Applicant seeking clarifications/directions on certain issues. Learned Senior counsel appearing for the Applicant has submitted that though in that IA various queries have been raised but he is confining the IA to query in paragraph 5-a,b and c, paragraph 6-b and e, paragraph 8 a,b,c,d and e and paragraph 9 a,b,c and d. He has further submitted that a formal application should be made by the Project Proponent (PP) for permitting the production of ethanol. He has also submitted that there are mainly two types of ethanol beverage ethanol and fuel ethanol and the PP is now seeking permission to proceed with the production of fuel ethanol for which Clearance (EC) does not exist. He has referred to the EC dated 25.09.2006 (page 3285) and the expansion to the EC dated 15.01.2018 and has submitted that in these ECs there is no Environmental Clearance for the fuel ethanol but while granting the CTO Annexure R-2(page 3295) the product is mentioned as molasses/grain/yeast-based ethanol which is not a part of EC.

2. Learned counsel appearing for the States submit that State of Punjab has filed the reply yesterday opposing the prayer of the PP for permitting it to proceed with the production of ethanol. Th reply filed by the State of Punjab has not come on record. The Registry is directed to place it on record.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the State of Punjab has also sought a week's time to file reply to IA No. 701/2025. Learned Senior Counsel appearing for the PP also submits the reply to this IA will be filed within two working days. Rejoinder, if any, can be filed by the Applicant within five days of filing of the reply by the State and the PP.

4. List on 24.11.2025.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Arun Kumar Tyagi, JM

Dr. Afroz Ahmad, EM

November 03, 2025
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& connected matters
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