

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

Original Application No. 304/2019
(MA No. 81/2021, IA No. 150/2024, IA No. 443/2023,I A No. 440/2023,
MA No. 83/2021, MA No. 96/2021, IA No. 444/2023, IA No. 441/2023,
& IA No. 184/2022)

M. Haridasan & Ors. Applicant(s)

Versus

State of Kerala & Ors. Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 04.04.2024

**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(s): Mr. Raj Panjwani, Senior Advocate (Amicus Curiae) with Mr. Aayushman Aeron, Adv.

Respondent(s): Mr. Pallav Sisodia, Senior Advocate with Mr. Nishe Rajen Shonker, Adv. for the State of Kerala
Mr. Jogy Scaria & Ms. Beena Victor, Advs. for KSPCB
Mr. Atmaram N.S. Nadkarni, Senior Advocate with Mr. Mahesh Agarwal & Mr. Arshit Anand, Advs. for Adani Vizhinjam Port Pvt. Ltd.
Mr. Abu John Mathew & Mr. Sarthak Saxena, Advs. for Rockfield Estates
Mr. Vivek Chib, Senior Advocate with Mr. Alex M. Scaria & Mr. John Thomas Arakal, Advs. in I.A 439- 441/2023
Mr. Gaurav Bhatia, Senior Advocate with Mr. Anshuman Shrivastava, Mr. Abhijeet Shrivastava & Ms. Usha Nandini Advs. in I.A 442-444/2023
Mr. Enoch David, Mr. S. Sreedev, Mr. Rony Jose, Mr. A. Karthik & Ms. Smrithi Suresh, Adv. in I.A 660-662/2023
Mr. Abhilash M.R & Mr. Sayooj Mohandas, Advs. in M.A No. 85 to 88/2021
Mr. E.M.S. Anam & Mr. Vishnu Shankar, Advs.
Ms. Soni Singh, Adv. for CPCB (Through VC)
Mr. Georgekutty Mathew, Adv. in I.A 100-102/2024 (Through VC)

ORDER

1. By the order dated 03.01.2024, the Tribunal had appointed Mr. Raj Panjwani, Senior Advocate as the Amicus in the matter. A letter dated 22.03.2024 sent by Agarwal Law Associates to Learned Amicus has been placed on record wherein it is stated that the learned Amicus had appeared for the Original Applicant in O.A. No. 74/2014 decided by order dated 02.09.2016 and in that OA and batch of Appeals, the EC and CRZ

Clearance for development of Vizhinjam International Deepwater Multipurpose Seaport, Vizhinjam in Thiruvananthapuram, District of State of Kerala was under challenge.

2. Learned Amicus has submitted that in that OA, only the correctness of EC dated 03.01.2014 and issue of coastal erosion and climate change was involved, therefore, he will not have any difficulty in assisting the Tribunal in this OA wherein pure legal issue and different ECs dated 01.03.2019 are involved.

3. Learned Counsel appearing for some of the impleaded respondents have also raised the technical issue that they do not have a copy of the letter petition on the basis of which the OA was registered. The office is directed to upload the letter petition on the website and it will be open to all the concerned parties to download the copy of the same or to obtain the copy thereof, from the Registry of the Tribunal.

4. List on 16.04.2024 at 02:00 P.M., subject to completion of hearing of other listed matters.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

April 04, 2024
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