

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
EASTERN ZONE BENCH, KOLKATA
(THROUGH PHYSICAL HEARING WITH HYBRID MODE)**

Original Application No.68/2023/EZ
(Earlier O.A. No. 437/2023/PB)

In Re.: News item published in NDTV
dated 09.06.2023 “Child among 3 killed
as illegal Coal Mine Collapses near Dhanbad”

Applicant(s)

Versus

Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 09.01.2024

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE B. AMIT STHALEKAR, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON’BLE DR. ARUN KUMAR VERMA, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Applicant(s) : *Suo Motu*,

For Respondent(s): Mr. Surendra Kumar, Advocate for R-1,
Ms. Aishwarya Rajyashree, Adv. for R-2&3, (in Virtual Mode)
Mr. Ashok Prasad, Advocate for R-4,
Mr. Arik Banerjee, Advocate a/w Mr. Saptarshi Mukherjee,
Advocate for R-5,

ORDER

1. Ms. Aishwarya Rajyashree, learned Counsel appearing (in Virtual Mode) for Respondent Nos.2&3, State Respondents, Government of Jharkhand, states that counter-affidavit is ready and will be filed in the course of the day. Let it be filed in the course of the day after serving the copy of the same upon the Counsel for the Respondents.
2. **List on 09.02.2024.**

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B. Amit Sthalekar, JM

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Dr. Arun Kumar Verma, EM

January 09, 2024,
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