

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

Original Application No.151/2023/EZ
(Earlier O.A. No.566/2023/PB)

News item titled “Despite National
Green Tribunal Ban, illegal sand
mining is going on in Jharkhand”
appearing in Prabhat Khabar
dated 08.09.2023

Applicant

Versus

Jharkhand State Pollution Control
Board & Ors.

Respondents

Date of hearing: 15.09.2025

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON’BLE MR. ISHWAR SINGH, EXPERT MEMBER**

Applicant: Suo Motu.

Respondents: Mr. Surendra Kumar, Advocate for respondent no.1.
Mr. Dipanjan Ghosh, Advocate for respondent no.2.
Ms. Aishwarya Rajyashree, Advocate for respondent
no.3 (through V.C.).
Mr. Ashok Prasad, Advocate for respondent no.4
(through V.C.).

ORDER

1. Counter affidavit dated 06.08.2025 has been filed by respondent no.1-Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board which is taken on record.
2. In compliance of order dated 07.08.2025, costs of Rs.1000/- have also been deposited by respondent no.1-Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board.
3. Affidavit was filed on behalf of respondent no.1 which was adopted by respondents no.2, 3 and 4.

4. List on 01.12.2025 for final hearing.

Arun Kumar Tyagi, JM

September 15th, 2025
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Ishwar Singh, EM