

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

Original Application No.84/2023/EZ

Abani Kumar Sahoo

Applicant(s)

Versus

State of Odisha & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 06.12.2023

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

For Applicant(s) : Mr. Sankar Prasad Pani, Advocate (in Virtual Mode)

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Tarun Patnaik, ASC for R-1-3,6&7, (in Virtual Mode)
Ms. Papiya Banerjee Bihani, Adv. for R-4, (in Virtual Mode)
Mr. Apurba Ghosh, Adv. for R-5, (in Virtual Mode)
Mr. Pratik Dash, Adv. for R-8, (in Virtual Mode)

ORDER

1. Mr. Sankar Prasad Pani, learned Counsel is present (in Virtual Mode) for the Applicant.
2. Affidavit dated 04.12.2023 has been filed on behalf of the Respondent No.8, Private Respondent; the same is taken on record.
3. Mr. Sankar Prasad Pani, learned Counsel for the Applicant prays for and is granted three weeks time for filing his response/rejoinder to the affidavit filed by the Respondent No.8.
4. Ms. Papiya Banerjee Bihani, learned Counsel appearing (in Virtual Mode) for Respondent No.4, Odisha State Pollution Control Board, states that since the Odisha State Pollution Control Board is a Member of the Committee constituted by the Tribunal, therefore, it is not necessary to file a separate counter-affidavit and the Committee Report will be adopted by the Odisha State Pollution Control Board.

5. Mr. Tarun Patnaik, learned Additional Standing Counsel appearing (in Virtual Mode) for State Respondents, Government of Odisha, states that the Divisional Forest Officer, Balasore Wildlife Division, adopts the affidavit dated 10.10.2023 filed by the District Magistrate, Balasore.
6. Mr. Apurba Ghosh, learned Counsel appearing (in Virtual Mode) for Respondent No.5, SEIAA, Odisha, prays for and is granted two weeks time for filing counter-affidavit.
7. **List on 24.01.2024.**

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B. Amit Sthalekar, JM

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Dr. Arun Kumar Verma, EM

December 06, 2023,
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