

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

Miscellaneous Application No.21/2023/EZ
In
Original Application No.115/2021/EZ

Tribunal on its Own Motion
Re.: Illegal filling of Bijuli Bandh (Water Body),
Sundergarh, Odisha,

Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 31.01.2024

**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) : Ms. Samapika Mishra, ASC for State (in Virtual Mode),
Mr. Ashok Prasad, Advocate for R-1 (in Virtual Mode),
Ms. Papiya Banerjee Bihani, Advocate for R-3 (in Virtual Mode),
Mr. Pratap Sahani, Advocate for R-7 (in Virtual Mode)

ORDER

1. Compliance affidavit dated 06.10.2023 has been filed by Respondent No.4, Collector & District Magistrate, Sundargarh; the same is taken on record.
2. Affidavit dated 25.10.2023 has been filed by Respondent No.7, Sri Aurobindo Integral Education & Research Centre, Sundargarh; the same is taken on record.
3. Ms. Samapika Mishra, learned Additional Standing Counsel appearing (in Virtual Mode) on behalf of the State Respondents, mentions that on the basis of the Joint Inspection Report a sum of Rs.2,88,518/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Eighty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen only) towards restoration and Rs. 36,50,000/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Fifty Thousand only) towards Environmental Compensation, total Rs.39,38,518/- (Rupees Thirty

Nine Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen only) has been determined for recovery against the Respondent No.7. She is not able to state as to what action has been taken towards recovery of the said amount.

4. Learned Counsel prays for and is granted one week time for filing appropriate affidavit in this regard.
5. **List on 09.02.2024.**

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B. Amit Sthalekar, JM

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Dr. Arun Kumar Verma, EM

January 31, 2024,
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