

Item No.02

Court No.1

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

Original Application No.133/2023/EZ  
(I.A. No.30/2024/EZ)

Serajul Islam & Anr.

Applicants

Versus

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Respondents

Date of hearing: 13.01.2026

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

Applicants: Ms. Nasreen Islam, Advocate for the applicants (physically in EZB).

Respondents: Mr. Sudip Kumar Dutta, Advocate for respondents no.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 11 (through VC).

Mr. Sibojyoti Chakraborty, Advocate for respondents no.8 and 9 (through VC).

Mr. Dipanjan Ghosh, Advocate for respondent no.10 (through VC).

Mr. Mostafijur Rahaman, Advocate for respondents no.13,14 & 15 (through VC).

Mr. Supratick Syamal, Mr. Alokesh Dalai, Ms. Rima Mandal and Mr. Sawant Chanda, Advocates for respondents no.16 & 17 (through VC).

Mr. Argha Dip Das (physically in EZB), Advocate for respondents no.18 & 19.

(Respondent no.12 has been deleted vide order dated 04.10.2023).

**ORDER**

1. Applicant has filed written note dated 02.01.2026 and the same is taken on record.
2. Respondents no. 13, 14 and 15 have also filed written note dated nil and the same is taken on record.
3. Affidavit dated 06.01.2026 has been filed by the Director, Directorate of Mines & Minerals and the same is taken on record mentioning that after the notification of 03.09.2024, all the mines matters relating to illegal mines and minerals are dealt by the West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited (WBMDTCL).

4. In view of the facts and circumstances of the case, presence of West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited (WBMDTCL) is essential for just and fair adjudication of the questions involved in the case. Accordingly, West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited (WBMDTCL) is impleaded as respondent no. 20.

5. The Registry is directed to amend the memo of parties and issue notice to respondent no. 20 requiring it to file its reply/response within one month.

6. Learned counsel for the applicant has submitted that applicant no. 2 has died and she seeks time for impleading Legal Representatives of applicant no. 2.

7. Application for impleading Legal Representatives of applicant no. 2 may be filed within one month.

8. List on 27.03.2026 for further consideration.

9. In the meanwhile, respondents no. 1 to 7 are directed to ensure that no illegal mining takes place in the land in question mentioned in prayer of the Original Application and mining under lease, if any granted, is carried out strictly in terms thereof and also in compliance with the EC/CTE/CTO conditions and environmental norms.

10. A copy of this order may be sent to respondents no. 1 to 7 by e-mail for requisite compliance.

Arun Kumar Tyagi, JM

Ishwar Singh, EM

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
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