

**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.	Versus	Applicant(s)
The State of West Bengal & Ors.		Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 17.09.2024

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

For Applicant(s) : Ms. Nasreen Islam, Adv.

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Sudip Kumar Dutta, Adv. for State (in Virtual Mode),
 Mr. Sibojyoti Chakraborty, Adv. for R-8 & 9,
 Mr. Dipanjan Ghosh, Adv. for R-10 (in Virtual Mode),
 Mr. Supratick Syamal, Adv. a/w
 Mr. Alokesh Dalai, Adv. for R-16 & 17 (in Virtual Mode),
 Mr. Sanjay Mukherjee, Adv. a/w
 Mr. Argha Dip Das, Adv. for R-18 & 19

ORDER

1. Ms. Nasreen Islam, learned Counsel is present on behalf of the Applicants.
2. Mr. Sanjay Mukherjee, learned Counsel assisted by Mr. Argha Dip Das, learned Counsel files Vakalatnama on behalf of the Respondent Nos.18 and 19; the same is taken on record. When the case is next listed, the name of Mr. Sanjay Mukherjee along with Mr. Argha Dip Das shall be printed in the cause list as the Counsel for Respondent Nos.18 and 19. Learned Counsel prays for and is granted four weeks time for filing counter affidavit.
3. We find that the affidavit dated 17.05.2024 filed by the District Magistrate, Birbhum is absolutely silent with regard to the allegations made against the Respondent Nos.13 to 19. There is not a single whisper with regard to the allegations made against the

Respondent Nos.13 to 19. This amounts to withholding material facts from the Court.

4. Today is 17.09.2024. We are surprised as to why, once the Private Respondents were already brought on record, the District Magistrate, Birbhum could not file the current Status Report on affidavit.

5. **List on 06.12.2024.**

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B. Amit Sthalekar, JM

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Dr. Arun Kumar Verma, EM

September 17, 2024,
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