

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

Original Application No.139/2023/EZ
(Earlier O.A. NO. 542/2023)

In re: news report published in
The Hindu dated 28.08.2023 titled
“Eight killed in blast at illegal fireworks
unit in West Bengal”

Applicant(s)

Versus

Petroleum and Explosives
Safety Organization (PESO) & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 08.05.2024

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE B. AMIT STHALEKAR, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON’BLE DR. SATYAGOPAL KORLAPATI, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Applicant(s) : *Suo Motu*

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Ashok Prasad, Advocate for R-1,
Mr. Dipanjan Ghosh, Advocate for R-2,
Mr. Surendra Kumar, Advocate for R-3,
Mr. Sibojyoti Chakraborty, Advocate for R-4

ORDER

1. Affidavit dated 07.05.2024 has been filed by Respondent No.4, District Magistrate & Collector, North 24 Parganas, Barasat; the same is taken on record.
2. Along with this affidavit, the notification of the Government of West Bengal dated 23.06.2005 has been filed and it is submitted that under the notification Ex-gratia Grant is to be given in the case of death occurring due to natural calamity/accidental fire within the shortest possible time and illustration has been given to show where Ex-gratia is paid to next-of-kin(s) persons who was killed as a result of natural calamity like flood, cyclone, earthquake, tornado, hailstorm, lightning etc. or anything directly or indirectly resulting

from natural calamity viz. house/wall collapse, drowning, fall of tree, electrocution, etc.

3. On the request of Mr. Sibojyoti Chakraborty, learned Counsel for Respondent No.4, we fix the matter on 13.05.2024.
4. **List on 13.05.2024.**

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B. Amit Sthalekar, JM

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Dr. Satyagopal Korlapati, EM

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