

Item No. 1

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
CENTRAL ZONE BENCH, BHOPAL**
(Through Video Conferencing)

Original Application No. 28/2023(CZ)

Rajesh Yadav & Ors.

Applicant(s)

Versus

National Highway Authority of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of Hearing: **21.04.2023**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEO KUMAR SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. ARUN KUMAR VERMA, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Applicant(s):

Ms. Urvashi Mishra, Adv.

For Respondent(s):

None.

ORDER

1. The grievances of the applicant is the illegal mining and digging on the banks of River Ganjal, using the mud/gravel soil and other minerals for construction of National Highway without any permits, destroying the flora and fauna of the region.
2. A substantial issue of environment has been raised.
3. Issue notice to the respondents, returnable within four weeks.
Respondents are directed to submit their reply within six weeks through E-filing portal, preferably in the form of searchable PDF/ OCR Support PDF and not in the form of Image PDF.
4. Applicant is directed to take necessary steps for service to the respondents by both ways and also on available email.
5. We deem it just and proper to call a report on the matter in issue in present Original Application, from a Joint Committee consisting of:-
 - i. Collector, Harda, (M.P.).
 - ii. One representative from Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board.

6. The Committee is directed to visit the place and submit the factual and action taken report within six weeks. The State PCB will be the nodal agency for coordination and logistic support.
7. Applicant is directed to supply the copy of the application and relevant documents to the Committee and Respondent(s) within a week and after compliance of service, the applicant has to submit an affidavit that the notice and copy of the application have been served upon the Committee and respondent(s).
8. The report in the matter be filed by the Committee through email at ngtczbbho-mp@gov.in preferably in the form of searchable PDF/OCR Support PDF and not in the form of Image PDF.

List it on 12th July, **2023**.

Sheo Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Arun Kumar Verma, EM

21st April, 2023
O.A No. 28/2023 (CZ)
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