

Item No. 2

(Pune Bench)

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
WESTERN ZONE BENCH, PUNE**

THROUGH PHYSICAL HEARING (WITH HYBRID OPTION)

Original Application No. 78/2023(WZ)

Hasmukh Bhai Bahecharbhai Parmar

.....Applicant

Versus

Alkem Laboratories Ltd. & Anr.

....Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 23.05.2023

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DINESH KUMAR SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. VIJAY KULKARNI, EXPERT MEMBER**

Applicant : Applicant in-person

ORDER

1. This application has been moved by the Applicant praying for imposition of penalty of Rs. 1 Crore on Respondent No. 1/Alkem Laboratories Ltd. (now RU) on account of fire occurrence happening on 10.12.2022, as a result of which, it is stated by the Applicant that air pollution has happened. He has drawn our attention to the inspection report dated 10.12.2022, which was conducted on the same day when this occurrence happened. In the observation of the said report, it is recorded that fire accident occurred at ground floor of production plant-4 where the ML (Mother Liquor) was generated for the production of Aripiprazole, which was stored in above ground SS storage tank (Capacity – 2 KL). The workers were transferring the ML from tank to MS drums (4 nos.). The information of fire accident in the industry had been received from social media and the industry had not informed regarding the same. Approximately 8.5 KL of water had been used for firefighting. We do not find any report on record with respect to air pollution. But looking to the

fact that the GPCB has already conducted inspection and submitted its report, pursuant to that, several directions have also been issued by it. We direct the GPCB to submit current status report in this regard within a period of two weeks.

2. As regards admitting this application, we would be passing order after having reply affidavit from the side of GPCB/Respondent No. 2.

3. A copy of this order be communicated to the GPCB for compliance forthwith.

Put up this matter for admission on 07.07.2023

Dinesh Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, EM

May 23, 2023
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