

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

(By Video Conferencing)

ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO.52 OF 2023 (WZ)

Krunnal Narayan Gharre

.... Applicant

Versus

PMC & Ors.

....Respondents

Date of Hearing : 25.04.2023

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

Applicant : Applicant-in-person

ORDER

1. The issue raised in this application is relating to degradation and damage to Ramnadi river leading to health hazards to the citizens of the concerned locality as well as to destruction of flora and fauna. It is alleged that untreated sewage is being dumped and the river has become a sewage track, which is polluting even the connected water bodies like Pashan lake and various rivulets. One of the chronic spots for garbage dumping is near Bavdhan Budruk. Ramnadi river is mixed with sewage that is getting discharged through storm water pipes. The unimaginable filth is dumped at the global location in Ramnadi river (18.512848, 73.769347). Similar discharge is also stated to have happened at a location (18.515778, 73.777791) where sewage lines are connected to the storm water lines. The sewage discharged through these storm lines further mixes with a notified natural spring. Hence, a prayer is made that the sewage effluent, which is getting discharged there, should be

stopped immediately and the connected reliefs which are made in the prayer clauses.

2. We find that prima facie case is made relating to adverse impact on the environment. Hence, we admit this Original Application and direct the Registry to issue notice to the respondents, returnable within four weeks.

3. We deem it appropriate to constitute a Joint Committee comprising of one member each of respondent No.2 – Pune Municipal Corporation, respondent Nos.2 and 3 – Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB), respondent No. 4 – Pune Metropolitan Region Development Authority (PMRDA) and MPCB shall be the nodal agency of the said Committee. The members of the Committee will visit the spot/site and submit factual as well as action taken report within four weeks.

4. The applicant is directed to provide copies of the Original Application and annexures thereto to the remaining respondents, within a week.

5. The applicant is also directed to take necessary steps for service upon the respondents by both ways and also through available e-mail.

6. Put up this matter on 19.07.2023.

Dinesh Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, EM

April 25, 2023
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