

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

THROUGH PHYSICAL HEARING (WITH HYBRID OPTION)

Original Application No.77/2016(WZ)
In
Original Application No. 33/2013(THC)
(Disposed of on 19.08.2015)

Janardan Chandar Patil & Anr.

.....Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

....Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 25.07.2023

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

Applicant : None appeared
Respondent(s) : Mr. Rahul Garg, Advocate for R-1/UOI
Ms. Supriya Dangare, Advocate for R-5/MPCB
Mr. Aniruddha Kulkarni, Advocate for R-10/MCZMA
& CPCB

ORDER

1. None has appeared from the side of applicant.
2. In pursuance of our previous order dated 26.04.2023, we had directed the respondent No.5/MPCB to submit current status in the matter, pursuant to which an affidavit dated 21.07.2023 has been filed, where-in it is submitted that in compliance with this Tribunal's order dated 17.08.2015 (reiterated in order dated 12.07.2016), the answering respondent has prepared and submitted revised Action Plan of Severally Polluted Area (SPA) of Navi Mumbai to CPCB, New Delhi vide letter dated 03.08.2020. The CPCB has hosted the said revised Action Plan on their website with no modification. Therefore, the answering respondent has executed the Revised Action Plan accordingly.

3. It is reflected in this reply affidavit that the answering respondent has been submitting progress report to the Registry of this Tribunal on various dates, which are mentioned in para no. (ii) of this affidavit and that Comprehensive Environmental Pollution Index (CEPI) of Navi Mumbai is considerably reduced by approximately 20% from 66.32 in the year 2018 to 53.59 in the year 2023. This appears to be a regular process and that we expect that the MPCB will continue to work for further reducing the CEPI for the said State in future to bring it further down to the maximum, which is possible and the action taken report in this regard shall be published on their website on yearly basis.

4. With respect to the direction given in the said order dated 26.04.2023 to the MCZMA/respondent No.10, no compliance so far has been done. From the side of respondent No.10/MCZMA, learned Counsel Mr. Aniruddha Kulkarni has appeared, who apprised us that he has been authorized to represent on behalf of the CPCB as well and from the side of these two authorities, he seeks four weeks' time to file their progress report and the current status in the matter. We allow the same.

5. We direct the Registry to fix this matter for further consideration on 21.09.2023.

Dinesh Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, EM

July 25, 2023
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