

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

THROUGH PHYSICAL HEARING (WITH HYBRID OPTION)

Original Application No. 69/2022(WZ)
I.A. No. 132/2023(WZ)

Sunil Pharate, Sangli District Head of Swatantra Bharat Paksh
.....Applicant
Versus

State of Maharashtra & Ors.
....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 : Mr. Omkar Wangikar, Advocate
Respondent(s) : Mr. Aniruddha S. Kulkarni, Advocate for R-1/Env't. Deptt. &
R-2/CPCB
Mr. Vilas Jadhav, Advocate for R-4 & 5/MPCB
Ms. Supriya Dangare, Advocate for R-7/SMKMC
Mr. Dattatray Devale, Advocate for R-8 & 16
Mr. Saurabh Kulkarni, Advocate for R-9 to 15

ORDER

1. From the side of Applicant, learned Counsel Mr. Omkar Wangikar has appeared. He was directed by us on the previous date to delete the name of the Respondent No. 17 for which I.A. No. 132/2023(WZ) has been filed by him. The said I.A. is allowed. We direct the learned Counsel for the Applicant to incorporate the said amendment in the array of the parties.

2. From the side of Respondent No. 1/Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC) and for Respondent No. 2/Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), learned Counsel Mr. Aniruddha S. Kulkarni has appeared and apprised that he has already filed reply

affidavit on behalf of Respondent No. 2/CPCB and does not want to file reply affidavit on behalf of Respondent No. 1/MoEF&CC.

3. From the side of Respondent Nos. 4 & 5/Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB), learned Counsel Mr. Vilas Jadhav has appeared and apprised that he has already filed reply affidavit.

4. From the side of Respondent No. 7/Sangli Miraj Kupwad Municipal Corporation, learned Counsel Ms. Supriya Dangare has appeared and apprised that reply affidavit has already been filed.

5. From the side of Respondent No. 8/Yaswantrao Mohite Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. and for Respondent No. 16-M/s. Yashwantrao Mohite Krishna SSK Ltd. (Distillery unit), learned Counsel Mr. Dattatray Devale has appeared and apprised that reply affidavit has already been filed from the side of Respondent No. 8 and the same may be treated to have been filed from the side of Respondent No. 16 as well.

6. From the side of Respondent Nos. 9 to 15/Project Proponents, learned Counsel Mr. Saurabh Kulkarni has appeared, who was directed by us on the previous date to file reply affidavit but he could not file the same due to his personal reasons and prays that additional time may be allowed to file the same. We grant him two weeks' time to file the same, failing which we will proceed against these Respondents *ex-parte*.

7. Since the Joint Committee Report has been filed long back, if any party wants to file objection against the same, the same may be filed within a period of two weeks as no further opportunity would be given.

I.A. No. 132/2023(WZ) stands disposed of accordingly.

8. Registry is directed to put up main matter for final hearing on
29.08.2023

Dinesh Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, EM

May 23, 2023
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