

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

[THROUGH PHYSICAL HEARING (WITH HYBRID OPTION)]

**ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO.84 OF 2022 (WZ)
I.A. NO.211/2024(WZ) & I.A. NO.214/2024(WZ)**

Lalitkumar Namdeo Chaudhari

.....Applicant

Versus

State of Maharashtra & Ors.

....Respondents

Date of hearing: 24.04.2025

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

Applicant : Applicant in-person.
Respondents : Mr. Aniruddha Kulkarni, Advocate for R-1/Env't. Deptt.
Mr. Pratap Nikam, Advocate for R-5

ORDER

1. From the side of respondent No.5 – the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation Department, Jalgaon, additional affidavit dated 11.02.2025 has been filed, wherein it is submitted that on 22.01.2025, the Municipal Council, Faizpur- Respondent No.8 vide letter dated 30.01.2025 requested the answering Respondent to draw Blue line and Red line of the Dhadi River. The answering Respondent has already sent a letter dated 06.02.2025 to Respondent No.8 regarding specific area and the length of Dhadi River, for which flood line (Blue and Red Lines) is to be marked to estimate the cost required to complete the said work within reasonable time. Further, it is mentioned that to finalize the flood lines for Dhadi River, minimum period of one year would be required for tendering process and execution of the said work.

2. From the side of applicant, applicant has appeared in-person before us, who is also in agreement with the fact that the blue line and red line of the Dhadi River should be drawn. Therefore, we direct that the same be drawn by Respondent No.5 at the earliest, for which minimum period is already fixed by Respondent No.5 to be one year.

3. At the time of argument, applicant has drawn our attention to a Map, which is annexed with the reply affidavit dated 19.03.2025 of Respondent No.9- the District Collector, Jalgaon, wherein by blue colour, river is shown and insides that river by red colour, 10m. wide concrete road is shown, which appears to have been built within the said river. Therefore, we direct Respondent No.5 to clarify as to whether this road is permissible to be constructed within the said river? If yes, where is the provision for the same because the applicant says that the construction of the road has been done within the River Dhadi, which is impermissible activity and should be ordered to be demolished and the area should be ordered to be restored.

4. On the next date, Respondent No.5-the Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation Department, Jalgaon shall appear in-person before us to clarify as directed above.

5. Put up this matter for further consideration on 04.05.2026.

Dinesh Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, EM

April 24, 2025

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