

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
SOUTHERN ZONE, CHENNAI**

(Through Video Conference)

Original Application No.164 of 2023 (SZ)

IN THE MATTER OF:

Tribunal on its own motion **SUO MOTU** based on
the news item published in 'The New Indian Express'
E-Paper, Chennai Edition dated 09.10.2023,
**"Tamil Nadu village roads turn Kerala's dump yard,
10-tonne waste dropped in one night"**

Date of hearing: 11.10.2023.

CORAM:

HON'BLE Smt. JUSTICE PUSHPA SATHYANARAYANA, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE Dr. SATYAGOPAL KORLAPATI, EXPERT MEMBER

For Applicant (s): **Suo Motu by Court.**

For Respondent(s): **Dr. D. Shanmuganathan for TN State.
Mr. S. Sai Sathya Jith for TNPCB.
Mrs. V.K. Rema Smrithi for KSPCB.**

ORDER

1. There was a news item published in 'The New Indian Express', E-Paper, Chennai Edition dated 09.10.2023 under the caption **"Tamil Nadu village roads turn Kerala's dump yard, 10-tonne waste dropped in one night"**.

2. It is alleged in the news item that unidentified miscreants had dumped nearly 10 Tonnes of plastic, medical and domestic waste brought from Kerala at multiple locations near Nanguneri Town Panchayat in Tirunelveli District in the dead of the night on Saturday i.e. 07.10.2023.
3. It is further alleged in the news item that the anti-socials had dumped a part of the waste in the middle of Shenbagaramanallur Road that branches off from Ilaiyarkulam junction, blocking vehicle movement.
4. Therefore, we take Suo Motu cognizance of the matter. Let notice be issued to all the respondents through the Tribunal along with a copy of the news item.
5. The learned counsel Dr. D. Shanmuganathan accepts notice on behalf of the State of Tamil Nadu, Mr. S. Sai Sathya Jith accepts notice on behalf of the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board and Mrs. V.K. Rema Smrithi accepts notice on behalf of the Kerala State Pollution Control Board
6. Let the matter be listed on **01.11.2023**. In the meanwhile, the authorities are directed to file their respective responses.

Sd/-
Smt. Justice Pushpa Sathyanarayana, JM

Sd/-
Dr. Satyagopal Korlapati, EM

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11th October, 2023. Mn.