

Item No. 08:-

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

(Through Video Conference)

**Appeal No. 77 of 2022(SZ) &
I.A. No. 02 of 2023(SZ)**

IN THE MATTER OF:

M/s. Varalakshmi Starch Industries (P) Ltd,
Rep by its Director, Salem.

...Appellant(s)

Versus

TNPCB
Rep. by its Chairman,
Chennai and Ors.

...Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 20.03.2023.

CORAM:

HON'BLE Smt. JUSTICE PUSHPA SATHYANARAYANA, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE Dr. SATYAGOPAL KORLAPATI, EXPERT MEMBER

For Appellant(s): Mr. V.P. Sengottuvel, Senior Advocate a/w.
Mr. K.R. Nishanth.

For Respondent(s): Ms. Aarti represented
Mr. S. Sai Sathya Jith for R1.
Mrs. Dhanalakshmi represented
Mrs. G.S. Dhanalakshmi represented
Mr. S.T. Raja for R4.

ORDER

1. The above appeal is against the order passed by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board under Section 33 A of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
2. This Tribunal felt that the issue can be resolved by complying with the directions issued by the Pollution Control Board and wherever there was any difficulty, it is for the appellant to meet the Pollution Control Board and iron out the issues.
3. Accordingly, an affidavit dated 09.03.2023 was filed by the appellant, in which they tabulated the directions issued by the Pollution Control Board and their stage of compliance or the time frame given for compliance. Directions were also issued towards the removal of Seemai Karuvelam trees in a phased manner, structural stability of the STP & ETP and revamping of the same, providing a closed yard for the wet Thippi stock, the report from the Anna University for groundwater quality and wastewater audit, etc. including furnishing a sum of Rs. 50 Lakhs as bank guarantee.
4. Though the appellant is ready to comply with most of the directions, it was expressed that this particular industry alone is singled out in its treatment by the Pollution Control Board. Without getting into the said issue, we direct the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board to furnish the norms that are normally prescribed for sago industries and conditions imposed for the

other sago industries in and around the district, based on which, the final order can be passed.

5. Post the matter on 11.04.2023.

Sd/-

Smt. Justice Pushpa Sathyanarayana, JM

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Dr. Satyagopal Korlapati, EM

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