

Item No.06:

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

(Through Video Conference)

Original Application No.97 of 2022(SZ)

IN THE MATTER OF:

Dr. M. S. Tejashwari,
Telangana.

...Applicant(s)

The Union of India,
Rep. by its Secretary,
Ministry of Defence,
New Delhi and Ors.

Versus

...Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 07.03.2024.



CORAM:

HON'BLE SMT. JUSTICE PUSHPA SATHYANARAYANA, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE Dr. SATYAGOPAL KORLAPATI, EXPERT MEMBER

For Applicant(s): Mrs. T. Hemalatha.

For Respondent(s): Mr. G. Sankar Prasad represented
Mr. K. Rama Koteswara Rao for R2.
Mr. T. Sai Krishnan along with
Ms. C.P. Kavitha Renjini for R3.
Mr. Mohamed Aathic represented
Mrs. H. Yasmeen Ali for R6.

ORDER

1. Through the report filed on 12.02.2024, it was stated by the Telangana State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) that an action plan was taken up in two stages viz., Stage-I and Stage-II and tenders have to be floated. Till today, no progress has been shown.
2. The learned counsel appearing for the 2nd Respondent/ Cantonment Board would state that they have already deposited the amount with the HMWSSB for carrying out the sewage treatment work. But, the Stage-I is only with respect to suitable construction of diversion main, pumping mains, I & D structures and pumping arrangements for diverting the sewage from entering into the land belonging to the applicant and to drain into the Trimulgherry Lake which is expected to be completed before 30.06.2024. Stage-II is with respect to the construction of STP of suitable capacity at the downstream of Trimulgherry Lake, treating all sewage flows and letting treated water into the lake for rejuvenating the lake and further beautification of the lake. It was stated that the Stage-II works need to be taken up only after acquiring suitable land.
3. We are unable to understand as to how the sewage will be treated till such time the STP is constructed, for which, land would be acquired. As the proposed STP is to be constructed near the Trimulgherry Lake, till such time the entire sewage may mix with the lake further polluting the same.

4. In this regard, let the TSPCB examine the site and file a report as to the plan of action, as the present suggestion given is not environmentally friendly.
5. In the meanwhile, the learned counsel appearing for the 2nd Respondent/Cantonment Board suggested that a portion of their land may be used for the purpose of constructing the STP, for which, he would get appropriate instructions from the Board.
6. Let the HMWSSB, TSPCB and also the Cantonment Board file an additional action plan report in this regard at the earliest. In the meanwhile, we direct the TSPCB to take stock of the situation, remove the sewage by tanker and treat them in the nearest facility.
7. Post the matter on 30.04.2024.

Smt. Justice Pushpa Sathyanarayana, JM

Dr. Satyagopal Korlapati, EM

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