

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL,
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

**Original Application No. 200/2014
(M.A. No. 205 of 2016, M.A. No. 206 of 2016,
M.A. No. 224 of 2016, M.A. No.585 of 2016 & M.A. No.815 of 2016)
(C.W.P. No. 3727/1985)**

And

**Original Application No. 501 of 2014
(M.A. No. 404 of 2015)**

And

Original Application No. 146 of 2015

IN THE MATTER OF : -

**M.C. Mehta Vs. Union of India & Ors.
And
Anil Kumar Singhal Vs. Union of India & Ors.
And
Society for Protection of Environment & Biodiversity & Anr.
Vs.
Union of India & Ors.**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SWATANTER KUMAR, CHAIRPERSON
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE U.D.SALVI, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE JAWAD RAHIM, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE MR. BIKRAM SINGH SAJWAN, EXPERT MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. AJAY A DESHPANDE, EXPERT MEMBER**

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| | <p>Item No. 12 to 14</p> <p>October 18, 2016</p> <p>ss</p> | <p>release into the respective Rivers.</p> <p>3. The quantum (load of BOD) of industrial waste effluent and sewage that is being discharged into the river/ drains.</p> <p>4. The existing STPs/CETPs and whether they are functional or not and if they are functional whether they are capable of treating the various pollutants of industrial effluent, sewage and coliform.</p> <p>5. The projected STPs/CETPs by the State itself or in collaboration with Ministry of Water Resources.</p> <p>6. Industrial clusters falling on the bank or near the River Ganga or its tributaries.</p> <p>All these would be shown in different colours with a complete legend and shall be signed by all the concerned Authorities.</p> <p>We may also notice that during course of hearing it has been brought to our notice that as per list of industries released by Government of India, there are nearly 1 Lakh industries minor and major falling in Segment 'B' of Phase-I. However, according to the Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board and the Central Pollution Control Board there are nearly 1070 Seriously Polluting Industries (SPIs) and Grossly Polluting Industries (GPIs). However, it is not clear as to whether there are other industries and if so what manufacturing or other activity they are carrying on and what kind of trade effluent do they discharge. Let Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board in consultation with other Authorities including</p> |
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| | <p>Item No. 12 to 14</p> <p>October 18, 2016</p> <p>ss</p> | <p>Government of Uttar Pradesh and Central Pollution Control Board file a correct statement giving number of industries falling in Segment - 'B' of Phase-I. It should also be stated if the industries are registered with Directorate of Industries or not or whether they have been granted consent by the Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board to operate or not.</p> <p>We are in the process of hearing arguments on Segment 'B' which has been expanded a little to the extent that it would start from the boundary of Haridwar to Unnao instead of limit of Kanpur. This is for the reason that tannery industries, which is one of the main cause of releasing pollutants into the river Ganga in this Segment, are located at Unnao and will have to dealt with at parity with the tannery industries at Jajmau, Kanpur. The working of the Authorities is pathetic with the passage of time huge amount of public money has been spent by these public authorities, but while they are only and only adding to the greater and severe load of pollution to river Ganga and its tributaries. Even today it cannot be informed to us as to how many drains carry industrial effluents, sewage and other discharge to the river Ganga or its tributaries. There are other factors which create a serious doubts about the very intent of the State of U.P. or its public authorities in an effort to clean river Ganga in a systematic and proper way.</p> <p>Since we are hearing the matter and the basic question that the Tribunal would have to answer amongst other is whether the approach of cleaning of city or</p> |
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| | <p>Item No. 12 to 14</p> <p>October 18, 2016</p> <p>ss</p> | <p>cleaning of river at the first instance is the approach to be adopted. Ill-planning, unscientific approach and no future estimation has lead to chaos in which the river Ganga today is.</p> <p>We therefore direct that during the course of hearing the State of Uttar Pradesh and its Public Authorities and Nigam will not carry out any major project of sewage, establishment of STPs/CEPTs except day-to-day maintenance work of the pipelines and the plant in Segment 'B' without the specific directions of the Tribunal.</p> <p>We grant liberty to the concerned authorities to move the Tribunal if any specific work they are desirous of executing during the pendency of this application.</p> <p>List these matters tomorrow i.e. on 19th October, 2016.</p> <p>.....,CP (Swatanter Kumar)</p> <p>.....,JM (U.D. Salvi)</p> <p>.....,JM (Dr. Jawad Rahim)</p> <p>.....,EM (Bikram Singh Sajwan)</p> <p>.....,EM (Dr. Ajay A Deshpande)</p> |
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