BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

Original Application No. 107/2014 And Original Application No. 96/2014

Samaj Bhalai Sangharsh Committee Vs Municipal Council, Gardhiwala, Hosiarpur And Surinder Singh & Ors. Vs Municipal Council, Gardhiwala, Hosiarpur

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE U.D. SALVI, JUDICIAL MEMBER HON'BLE DR. G.K. PANDEY, EXPERT MEMBER HON'BLE MR. RANJAN CHATTERJEE, EXPERT MEMBER

Present: Applicant/Appellant(s) Respondent No. 1 Respondent No. 2 & 3 Respondent No. 4

: Mrs. Rani Chhabra, Adv. : Mr. P.N. Puri, Adv. : Mr. Nikhil Nayyar, AAG : Ms. Gurinderjit, Adv.

Orders of the Tribunal

Date and Remarks

Item No. <mark>4</mark> and 5

August 12, 2014

He<mark>ard. Perused.</mark>

On last occasion, the Punjab Pollution Control Board brought to the notice of all concerned that Wet Rendering Process for handling and disposing of the carcasses is successful and economical and such processing plant has been installed and commissioned in residential area of Kanpur successfully by the Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai and it gives no cause of offensive odour to the local residents to object to it. It was further revealed that Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana is also competent to provide guidance for handling and disposal of Carcasses and the Punjab Pollution Control Board has no such facility to provide the necessary guidance.

In response to these revelations made before us on the last occasion, Learned Counsel appearing for the State of Punjab as well as for the Municipal Council submitted that appropriate decision could be taken, regarding adoption of any of such technologies which are successful and economical in handling and disposal of the Carcasses. Executive Officer of the Respondent No. 1, Municipal Council, who is present before us, discloses that he approached Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana as well as Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai for seeking guidance in the matter; and on being advised by the University to approach "Pathology Department of Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal University, Ludhiana" for consultation, he further contacted the said department and was orally advised to adopt a technology of burying the Carcasses with lime and salt. As regards the response from the Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai he submitted that he has not received any communication in response to the letter written by him for seeking the advice.

We believe that the technology of burying the Carcasses with lime and salt for its disposal is old one, and perhaps would not give the desired results in comparison with the results given by latest technology of Wet Rendering Process Plant as developed by Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai (CLRI).

Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the Respondents seek further time to examine the various available technologies for handling and disposal of the Carcasses. We feel that the grant of time would help the Respondents to arrive at final conclusion regarding adoption of suitable technology for handling and disposal of Carcasses. However, it should be borne in mind that while adopting such technology, a thought should be given to the concerns of the public, particularly offensive odour that may be generated in course of disposal of the Carcasses. The Respondents shall collect the necessary information regarding all available latest technologies for disposal of Carcasses and place the same before us with their respective choices of such

