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IN THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, SOUTHERN ZONE

Original Application No. 299 of 2013 (SZ)

With

Original Application No. 164 of 2014 (SZ)

With

Original Application No. 164 of 2015 (SZ)

With

Original Application No. 130 of 2016 (SZ)

IN THE MATTER OF:

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Versus

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With

P. Edwin Wilson,
Purasaiwalkam, Chennai

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Versus

The State of Tamil Nadu,
Rep. by its Chief Secretary,
Chennai & Ors.

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With

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Thiruvanmiyur,
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PWD, Secretariat,
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----- Respondent(s) -R6

**CURRENT STATUS REPORT SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE GREATER
CHENNAI CORPORATION RESPONDENT**

1. I Tmt R. Vijayalakshmi, Hindu aged about 58 years, having office at Greater Chennai Corporation, Ripon Buildings, Chennai -600 003, do hereby solemnly affirm and sincerely state as follows:

2. I am the Superintending Engineer, Park, Playfield & CRRT of Greater Chennai Corporation and I am well acquainted with the facts of the case from the records and as such I am filling this current status report on behalf of the respondent.

3. I respectfully submit that, under the CRRT project of Eco restoration of Cooum river, Construction of Compound wall, Boundary fencing of the Cooum river have been taken up for a length of 23.92 Km for preventing encroachments and preventing dumping of Garbage and solid wastes and so far 20.54 Km length

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compound wall has been completed. The work will be taken up after resettling the project affected families in coordination with Water Resource department (WRD) and Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board (TNUHDB) .

4. I respectfully submit that, under the CRRT project of Eco restoration of Cooum river, Trash booms have been provided at 8 locations across Cooum river for intercepting and collecting the Hyacinth and other floating materials from entering the sea and are removed periodically using porcelain and Lorries and so far around 39000 Mt Hyacinth and floating materials have been removed from this 8 locations.

5. I respectfully submit that, under the CRRT project of Eco restoration of Cooum river, 1,00,485 MT. of debris and garbage dumped along the banks of Cooum river has been removed at a cost of Rs.6.25 Crore.

6. I respectfully submit that, 14257 project affected families have been identified as encroached along the banks of Cooum River. So far 13481 slum families encroached along the banks of Cooum River have been resettled in TNUHDB tenements. Action is being taken for shifting of the remaining slum families to TNUHDB tenements.

7. I respectfully submit that, under the CRRT project of Eco restoration of Adyar river, Construction of Compound wall, Boundary fencing of the Adyar river have been taken up for a length of 24.67 Km for preventing encroachments and preventing dumping of Garbage and solid wastes and so far 14.13 Km length compound wall has been completed. and existing flood protection wall & private wall is available for a length of 7.34 km. The remaining work will be taken up after resettling the project affected families in coordination with Water Resource department (PWD) and Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board (TNUHDB).

3. I respectfully submit that, under the CRRT project of Eco restoration of Adyar river, Trash booms have been proposed at 4 locations across Adyar river

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for intercepting and collecting the Hyacinth and other floating materials from entering the sea and will be removed periodically using porcelain and Lorries.

9. I respectfully submit that, under the CRRT project of Eco restoration of Adyar river, 13125 MT. of debris and garbage dumped along the banks of Adyar river has been removed at a cost of Rs.0.75 Crore.


10. I respectfully submit that, 9539 project affected families have been identified as encroached along the banks of Adyar river. So far 4743 slum families encroached along the banks of Adyar river have been resettled in TNSCB tenements. Action is being taken for shifting of the remaining slum families to TNSCB tenements.

11. I respectfully submit that, Special Equipments such as Amphibian and Robotic Excavators purchased by GCC are periodically deployed for removing Hyacinth and floating materials in Cooum and Adyar river.

12. I respectfully submit that, CRRT has obtained G.O. for improvements of association drains of Buckingham Canal, Cooum and Adyar river as per the DPR Greater Chennai Corporation tender floated and taking necessary action for the improvement work to be carried out on the associates drains of Buckingham Canal, Adyar and Cooum River.

13. I respectfully submit that, through regular cleaning work and periodical special drive, garbage accumulated in the bunds are cleared from the banks of Adyar and Cooum River.

Dated at Chennai this the 10th Day of October 2023


Counsel for Respondent

Respondent


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Verification

It is verified that what is stated above paragraphs are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

Dated at Chennai this the 10th Day of October 2023

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Respondent
Superintending Engineer,
Parks Department
Greater Chennai Corporation

BEFORE ME

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E.NO. 340/96

ADVOCATE

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