

ITEM NO.16

COURT NO.5

SECTION XVII

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A  
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Civil Appeal No(s). 9377/2022

M/S HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

VISAKHA PAWAN PRAJA KARMIKA SANGAM &amp; ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No.203722/2022-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No.203720/2022-STAY APPLICATION)

Date : 05-01-2023 This appeal was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY RASTOGI  
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE BELA M. TRIVEDI

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For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

Admit.

The High Court, in the impugned order dated 20.10.2022, has directed in Paragraph Nos. 53.3 and 53.4 as under :-

*"53.3 HPCL is directed to deposit the Environmental Compensation assessed at Rs. 8,35,20,000/- (Rupees Eight Crores Thirty Five Lakhs and Twenty Thousand only) forthwith.*

*53.4 HPCL is directed to deposit a further sum of Rs. 10,00,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Crores only) for their wilful negligence being a PSU which can be spent on restoration of environment and public health in the district of Vizag. Such deposit to be made within 2 (Two) months from today to CPCB which will draw a plan to that effect."*

Let the appellant comply with the directions mentioned at Paragraph No. 53.3 of the order impugned within a period of eight weeks from today, without prejudice to the rights of the appellant in the pending appeal.

So far as Paragraph No. 53.4 is concerned, there shall be a stay of the directions, until further orders.

(JAYANT KUMAR ARORA)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(VIRENDER SINGH)  
BRANCH OFFICER