

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

Original Application No. 325/2018
(M.A. No. 1135/2018)

Gaurav Kumar Bansal Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India & Ors. Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 25.03.2019

CORAM:

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAGHUVENDRA S. RATHORE, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. SATYAWAN SINGH GARBYAL, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Applicant(s) None present

For Respondent(s) Mr. Ravindra Kr. Gupta,
Advocate for MoEF, R-1
Mr. Krishna Kumar Singh,
Advocate for NBA, R-3
Mr. Bhanwar Pal Singh Jadon
Advocate for R-4-15

ORDER

In this case where the applicant has alleged violation of ecology and biodiversity in Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary, UP, the Learned Counsel for National Board for Wildlife and National Biodiversity Authority submits that they have already asked the State Government to give the details in this regard. The said information was sought, more than six months back but no information has been received so far.

Therefore, we direct the Secretary, National Board for Wildlife and Chairperson, National Biodiversity Authority to depute their officers to visit the site and get the factual

position in respect of the allegations made by the applicant. The said exercise should be done within three weeks from today.

In so far as the respondent-State authorities are concerned a vague and general reply have been filed by all wherein the averments made by the applicant have not been met out. It is only general information with regard to the total number of wild life etc. has been submitted.

This petition was filed as back as in the month of May, 2018 and notices were issued to the respondents on 22.05.2018. It is high time that proper and complete information, as well as reply to issues raised by the applicant, are to be given by respondents no. 4 to 15. Therefore, we deem it proper to direct the Secretary, UP Biodiversity Board and Chief Wildlife Warden, State of UP to be present before the Tribunal on the next date of hearing with full information and complete details in respect of the issues raised by the applicant.

A copy of this order be sent to Warden Wildlife and the Principal Secretary, Forest State of UP, through E-mail, forthwith.

List the matter on 24th April, 2019.

Raghuvendra S. Rathore, JM

Dr. Satyawan Singh Garbyal, EM

March 25, 2019
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