

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

Execution Application No. 24/2019

IN

Appeal No. 60/2013

(With report dated 30.08.2019)

Society for Protection of Culture, Heritage, Environment,  
Traditions and Promotion of National Awareness

Appellant(s)

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 18.09.2019

**CORAM:**

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADARSH KUMAR GOEL, CHAIRPERSON  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.P WANGDI, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAMAKRISHNAN, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE DR. NAGIN NANDA, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Appellant(s):

Mr. Anil Sood, Applicant in person

For Respondent(s):

Mr. Milanka Choudhary, Advocate for Delhi  
International Airport Limited  
Ms. Anjana Gosain, Advocate for Airport  
Authority of India

**ORDER**

1. This Execution application seeks enforcement of order dated 24.11.2017 passed by this Tribunal. The application dealt with the grievance of grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) for construction of third run way at IGI Airport, New Delhi.
2. According to the applicants who were residents of Vasant Kunj, in absence of adequate mitigation measures, there was

unchecked noise pollution on the run way affecting the inhabitants. The Tribunal sought a report from IIT and after considering all the facts and circumstances directed as follows:-

- “3. We direct all the official respondents to take all mitigating measures for reducing noise pollution in terms of the report submitted by MoEF and as even proposed by these very respondents themselves, expeditiously.
4. The official respondents shall act in furtherance to the report of IIT in relation to construction of sound barriers, which report of IIT is accepted by the Tribunal. However, if any, variations are suggested and the official respondents consider it proper to carry out such variations on the ground of safety, security and height of the sound barrier walls, the same may be implemented after discussion with the team of IIT. The sound barriers should be constructed at the earliest and in accordance with report.
5. The official respondents shall ensure providing of a green belt around the boundary wall of the airport, while keeping the safety and security both in mind. The plantations shall be of the species which would only grow 2 to the permissible height or would be maintained at the permissible height only.
6. The official respondents may issue an advisory to all the airlines whose aircrafts land at the runway of the IGI and domestic Airport, New Delhi to ensure ‘judgment based’ use of reverse thrust keeping in view weather, length of run way, wind, and other attendant circumstances to reduce the noise level particularly at the time of landing of aircrafts.
7. All the coaches/buses and other vehicles plying at the airport should be CNG and must comply with the prescribed emission standards. Non-CNG buses/coaches or other vehicles plying at the airport, should be converted to CNG within six months from today.”

3. Execution application is filed with a grievance that directions of this Tribunal were not complied with.

4. Vide order dated 21.05.2019, the Tribunal sought a factual and action taken report from the Airport Authority of India (AAI) and Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL). Accordingly, factual and action taken report dated 30.08.2019 has been filed by the AAI and affidavit has also filed on behalf of the DIAL indicating the steps taken.
5. The main question for consideration is the compliance of direction number 6 as far as AAI is concerned. According to the action taken report, NOTAM was issued by AAI which has been incorporated in the Aeronautical Information Publication on 11.10.2018. Information regarding use of reverse thrust by pilots is applicable to Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Chennai, Hyderabad and Kolkata.
6. As regards direction numbers 3, 4, 5 and 9, the said publication applies to all airlines fly to Delhi. DIAL has pointed out that order for use of CNG cover by direction number 7 was partly modified by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated 06.08.2018. As regards noise pollution, steps have been taken in terms of MoEF&CC Notification dated 06.07.2018 laying down certain requirements which have to be complied by 17.06.2020.
7. We suggest that DIAL should not only measure and maintain the prescribed noise levels but also display the same in public domain.

The application is disposed of.

Adarsh Kumar Goel, CP

S.P Wangdi, JM

K. Ramakrishnan, JM

Dr. Nagin Nanda, EM

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