Item No. 04 Court No. 1

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

(By Video Conferencing)

I.A. No. 154/2020 IN Original Application No. 73/2020

In re: Gas Leak at LG Polymers Chemical Plant in RR Venkatapuram Village Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh

Date of hearing: 01.06.2020

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADARSH KUMAR GOEL, CHAIRPERSON

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEO KUMAR SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE DR. NAGIN NANDA, EXPERT MEMBER

For Applicant(s): Mr. Gyan Prakash, in person

## **ORDER**

## I.A. No. 154/2020

- 1. This application seeks intervention in the matter relating to providing remedies to the victims of leakage of hazardous gas styrene on 07.05.2020 from a chemical factory owned by M/s LG Polymers India Private Limited, Vishakhapatnam. The applicant has mentioned that the Environment Relief Fund Manager under the provisions of Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 should spend the available fund to rehabilitate the victims. The said fund may be utilized under the provisions of the NGT Act, 2010 for restoration of environment and compensation to the victims.
- 2. We are of the view that the issue raised in the Intervention Application may be more appropriately taken up by way of

separate proceedings. The office may register it as separate Original Application.

3. Response be sought from the MoEF&CC whether unutilized amount of Rs 574 Crores as alleged is available and if so, what is the plan of action to utilize the amount in accordance with the mandate of law. Response may be filed within two months from today by e-mail at <a href="mailto:judicial-ngt@gov.in">judicial-ngt@gov.in</a> preferably in the form of searchable PDF/OCR Support PDF and not in the form of Image PDF.

A copy of this order be sent to the MoEF&CC by email.

The applicant may also furnish a copy of this application to the MoEF&CC and file an affidavit of service.

List for further consideration on 25.09.2020.

Adarsh Kumar Goel, CP

Sheo Kumar Singh, JM

Dr. Nagin Nanda, EM

June 1, 2020 I.A. No. 154/2020 IN O.A. No. 73/2020 DV