

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

(By Video Conferencing)

Original Application No. 229/2022

In re: News item published in Dainik Bhaskar dated 10.01.2022 titled  
**“Groundwater of Sanwer Road Industrial Area polluted by  
dangerous chemicals coming out of factories”**

Date of hearing: 29.03.2022

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ADARSH KUMAR GOEL, CHAIRPERSON  
HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR AGARWAL, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN KUMAR TYAGI, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON’BLE PROF. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER  
HON’BLE DR. AFROZ AHMAD, EXPERT MEMBER**

**ORDER**

1. Proceedings in this matter has been initiated *suo motu* in the light of captioned media report<sup>1</sup> to the effect that toxic trade effluent generated from Sanwer Road Industrial Area, District Indore is resulting in contamination of surface and ground water.

2. On due consideration we are of the view that the report needs to be verified and action taken by the statutory regulators against the erring industries or other violators in accordance with law.

3. Let the State PCB, Collector Indore, Municipal Commissioner, Indore and Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) undertake visit to the site, interact with the stakeholders and furnish a factual and action taken

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<sup>1</sup> Report published in the Dainik Bhaskar dated 10.01.2022 under the heading “Groundwater of Sanwer Road Industrial Area polluted by dangerous chemicals coming out of factories”

report in the matter within two months by e-mail at judicial-  
ngt@gov.in preferably in the form of searchable PDF/ OCR Support PDF  
and not in the form of Image PDF. The State PCB will be the nodal agency  
for coordination and compliance. The report may mention compliance of  
consent conditions and impact of discharge of effluents on surface and  
groundwater. Installation of requisite pollution control devices may also  
be reported.

List for further consideration on 06.07.2022.

A copy of this order be forwarded to the State PCB, Collector Indore,  
Municipal Commissioner, Indore and CGWA by email for compliance.

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