

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

Original Application No. 851/2018

Amit Jain

Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 30.04.2019

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

For Applicant(s):

For Respondent (s): Mr. Raj Kumar, Advocate for CPCB

**ORDER**

The issue for consideration is whether cheap waste paper and the road sweep waste should be imported for firing of brick kilns. According to the applicant, 900,000 tons of waste is imported which is hazardous.

Vide order dated 19.12.2018, a factual and action taken report was sought from Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB). Report received from the CPCB vide e-mail dated 01.04.2019 suggests that import of plastic waste is required to be restricted as the hazardous

waste generated in the country is to the extent of 26,000 tons a day and the same is not being properly managed. The Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, as amended in 2018 prohibit open burning of plastic waste and permits recycling of plastic waste only if it conforms to Indian Standard: IS 14534:1998.

Local bodies have to encourage the use of plastic waste for road construction or energy recovery or waste to oil etc. Every producer or brand owner is required to make application for registration or for renewal of registration and such registration is done as per checklist issued by the CPCB. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is applicable and is required to be followed by Producers, Importers and Brand Owners as per applicable guidelines.

The CPCB has also evolved guidelines for collection, segregation and disposal of plastic waste. The key technologies mentioned are:

1. Utilization of Plastic Waste in Road Construction (As per IRC: SP:98-2013),
2. Co-processing of Plastic Waste in Cement Kilns,
3. Conversion of plastic waste into liquid RDF (Oil) or Energy and
4. Disposal of plastic waste through Plasma Pyrolysis Technology (PPT).

In view of the above, we direct the CPCB to take further action for ensuring that its recommendation is fully implemented by all concerned in the matter of implementation of Plastic Waste Management Rules as well as restriction on import of plastic waste is implemented in such manner as may be directed by the CPCB.

The Application is disposed of.

CPCB may furnish a further action taken report in the matter to this Tribunal within two months by e-mail at [ngt.filing@gmail.com](mailto:ngt.filing@gmail.com).

List for further consideration on 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2019.

A copy of this order be sent to CPCB by e-mail for compliance.

Adarsh Kumar Goel, CP

K. Ramakrishnan, JM

Dr. Nagin Nanda, EM

April 30, 2019  
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