

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL  
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

M.A. No. 581/2018, M.A. No. 1557/2018,  
M.A. No. 1558/2018 & M.A. No. 1566/2018  
IN  
Original Application No. 130/2016

And

M.A. No. 1567/2018  
IN  
Original Application No. 684/2018

In the matters of :-

Social Action for Forest & Environment (SAFE)  
Vs.  
Union of India & Ors.

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

**Item No. 2:**

**Present:** **Applicant:** Mr. C.S. Vaidyanathan, Sr. Adv. with Mr. Anirudh Gupta, Ms. Sindoor VNL, Adv.  
Mr. Sridhar Pota Raju, Mr. Yashvir Kumar, Adv. in M.A. No. 1557/18  
Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Shighra Kumar, Adv. in M.A. No. 1566/2018  
**Respondent:** Mrs. D. Bharati Reddy, Ms. Vidyottma, Ms. Gitanjali N., Adv. for State of Uttarakhand  
Mr. Mukesh Verma, Adv. for MPCB  
V. Mowli, Adv. for State of Tamil Nadu & PCB  
Mr. Shashank Saxena, Adv. for CGSC  
Mr. Daleep Dhyani, Adv. for UPPCB  
Mr. Rovins Verma, Adv. for MoEF  
Suneha Jain, Adv. for R-5&8

**Item No. 8:**

**Present:** **Applicant:** Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Shinghra Kumar Adv.  
**Respondents:** Mr. Rovins Verma, Adv. for MoEF

| Date and Remarks                           | Orders of the Tribunal   |
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| Item Nos. 02 & 08<br>October 31, 2018<br>R | <p>This petition seeks direction to close operations of units functioning in violation of Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemical Rules, 1989 and the Chemical Accidents (Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response) Rules, 1996.</p> <p>Directions have also been sought that Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL), Hindustan Oil Corporation (HOC) should not purchase ethanol from units operating without approval of the</p> |

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|  | <p><b>Item Nos.<br/>02 &amp; 08</b></p> <p><b>October<br/>31, 2018</b></p> <p><b>R</b></p> | <p>competent authority and without installing safety equipment.</p> <p>The matter has been dealt with in the order passed on 30.10.2018 in <i>Original Application No. 684/2018, Social Action for Forest and Environment (SAFE) Vs. Union of India &amp; Ors.</i> The Tribunal has held that while availability of ethanol is important for environment as well as for foreign exchange, safety concerns are required to be addressed in accordance with law.</p> <p>The oil companies can take initiative and have procedures, streamlined in co-ordination with statutory authorities, including Petroleum and Explosive Safety Organization (PESO) having regard to these considerations. However, without safety measures approved by statutory authorities, including PESO, the manufacturers of ethanol may not be allowed to function.</p> <p>The applications are disposed of accordingly.</p> <p>....., CP<br/>(Adarsh Kumar Goel)</p> <p>.....,JM<br/>(S.P. Wangdi)</p> <p>.....,EM<br/>(Dr. Nagin Nanda)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">31.10.2018</p> |
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