BEFORE THE LEARNED REGISTRAR HON'BLE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, WESTERN ZONE BENCH

Original Application No.75/2017(WZ)

In the matter of:

Vijaysingh Dubbal & Ors.

...Applicants

V/S

Maharashtra Pollution Control Board & Ors.

...Respondents

Report on behalf of the Respondent No.1-MPCB in compliance of the Judgement dated 25/2/2022 passed by the Hon'ble NGT.

- 1. As per the Revised Categorization issued by the Central Pollution Control Board vide letter dated 7/3/2016, the mineralized water alongwith RO Reject is covered at Sr.No.54 of the final list of 'Green' Category. Accordingly, the Respondent Board is issuing consent under the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
- 2. The Respondent- Board has issued directions to 433 nos. of Municipal Corporations/Zilla Parishad/Municipal Councils/Nagar Panchayats/ Cantonment Boards in the year, 2020 and directed them to identify the illegal activities of Cool Water Can, Chilled Water Jar units (Plants) doing water selling business, falls under their jurisdiction and take appropriate action against the said units.
- 3. The Notification dated 24/9/2020 issued by the Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Govt. of

India, the Micro and Small Enterprises drawing ground water less than 10 cum/day are exempted from the 'No Objection Certificate'.

- 4. The Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India has issued a Public Notice dated 29/9/2022 to the Ground Water Users from these categories: Industrial/ Infrastructure/ Mining Projects/ Drinking & Domestic Use for Residential Apartments/ Group Housing Societies/ Government Water Supply Agencies in Urban Areas/ Bulk Water Suppliers/ Swimming Pool/ Sport Complex/ Govt Office Building, whether existing or new are required to take permission for groundwater withdrawal from CGWA.
- 5. As per the Food, Safety and Standard Act, 2006, no person shall manufacture, sale or exhibit for sale packaged drinking water except under the Bureau of Indian Standard Certification and all the food business operators selling / manufacturing the products have to obtain license / registration under the Food, Safety and Standard Act, 2006 as well as BIS Certification wherever applicable and they have to comply with the provisions prescribed under the Food, Safety and Standard Regulation.
- 6. In view of the above, the Respondent Board is issuing consent to the the mineralized water alongwith RO Reject covered at Sr.No.54 of the final list of the Revised Categorization issued by the Central Pollution Control Board vide letter dated 7/3/2016 in 'Green' Category.

As per the Notification dated 24/9/2020 issued by the Central Ground Water Authority, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Govt. of India, those units which are drawing ground water more than 10 cum/day shall require to obtain 'No Objection Certificate' from the Central Ground Water Authority.

The concerned Local Body shall ensure that the units, who are drawing ground water more than 10 cum/day, have obtained NOC from the Central Ground Water Authority and also ensure that they have obtained license / registration under the Food, Safety and Standard Act, 2006 from Food, Safety and Standard Authority of India.

Date: 25/10/2022

Place: Mumbai

(Dr.Y. B. Sontakke) Joint Director(WPC)