## BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI (Through Video Conferencing)

Original Application No. 24/2018 (EZ)

Ambarnath Sengupta

Applicant(s)

Versus

State of West Bengal & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 21.01.2019

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.P. WANGDI, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. RAMAKRISHNAN, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE DR. NAGIN NANDA, EXPERT MEMBER

For Applicant(s): For Respondent (s):

Mr. Ambarnath Sengupta, Applicant in person Mrs. Amith, Advocate and Mrs. K. Enatolisema, Advocate for Nagaland Pollution Control Board. Ms. Aruna Mathur, Standing Counsel, State of Sikkim.

Mr. Avneesh Arputham, Ms. Anuradha Arputham and Ms. Geetanjali, Advocates for Sikkim Pollution Control Board.

Mr. A. Tewari, Advocate for Ms. Eliza Barr, Advocate for State of Arunachal Pradesh.
Mr. Bikas Kargupta, Advocate for Respondent

Nos. 1 & 3.

Mr. Soumyajit Ghosh and Mr. Sibojyoti Chakraborty, Advocates for Respondent

Nos. 2 & 4.

Mr. Surendra Kumar, Advocate for Respondent Nos.12, 23 & 25.

Ms. Paushali Banerjee, Advocate Respondent No.15.

Mr. Jagannath Marorthia, Mr. Siddharth Sharma and Ms. S.B. Roy, Advocates for Respondent No.21.

## ORDER

- 1. This application has been filed seeking enforcement of order dated 06.10.2017 in O.A. No. 51/2016 in the matter of *Ambarnath Sengupta* vs. State of West Bengal & Ors. The substance of the directions in the said order was that all the States in the region falling within the jurisdiction of the NGT, Eastern Zone, should frame rules, governing immersion of idols keeping in view the guidelines issued by the CPCB.
- 2. We have been informed that many of the States have framed the rules and so has the State of West Bengal.

- 3. For this reason, we do not deem it essential to keep this matter pending further except to direct that all the States which have not yet framed the rules to do so within a period of three months and file copies before the Tribunal.
- 4. We reiterate that the rules should be implemented scrupulously and in the event of there being any lacuna in as much as some of the aspects have not been covered, the guidelines framed by the CPCB shall be considered and applied. We have already directed in the order under execution that the monitoring authority shall be respective State Pollution Control Boards. This shall also be complied with strictly.
- 5. With the above direction this Application stands disposed of.
- 6. List this matter on 7th May, 2019, for consideration of the Rules framed by the States.

S.P. Wangdi, JM

K. Ramakrishnan, JM

Dr. Nagin Nanda, EM

January 21, 2019 O.A. No. 24/2018(EZ) AVT & HB