

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

Original Application No. 766/2019

(With report dated 03.01.2020)

Vikram Kanwar

Applicant(s)

Versus

State of Himachal Pradesh

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 28.01.2020

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
HON'BLE MR. SIDDHANTA DAS, EXPERT MEMBER

ORDER

1. A report was sought from the Himachal Pradesh State PCB with reference to the allegation of illegal mining and sand crushing by HPPWD and CPWD contractors by using mobile stone crushers in the State of Himachal Pradesh.
2. Accordingly, a report has been filed on 03.01.2020 to the effect that five mobile stone crushers were found and directions dated 13.12.2019 were issued to suspend their operation. Further, directions have been issued that no mobile stone crushers will be hired by PWD without consent of the State PCB.
3. In view of acknowledged violation of law, the State PCB may assess and recover compensation for the damage to the environment on 'Polluter Pays' principle, after following due procedure of law.

A copy of this order be sent by email to the State PCB.

The application is disposed of.

Adarsh Kumar Goel, CP

S.P Wangdi, JM

Dr. Nagin Nanda, EM

Siddhanta Das, EM

January 28, 2020
O.A. No. 766/2019
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