

ITEM NO.1

COURT NO.1

SECTION PIL-W

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition (Civil) No.230/2001

M.K. BALAKRISHNAN & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

**UNION OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT,
FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE & ORS.**

Respondent(s)

(With IA No. 203606/2022 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION)

Date : 10-07-2023 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA**

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**UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R**

- 1 Mr Gopal Sankaranarayanan, senior counsel submits that since the orders of this Court dated 8 February 2017 and 4 October 2017, there has been a material change in the extent of wetlands identified under the Indian

Wetlands Atlas 2021 prepared by ISRO which has increased from 2.01 lakh hectares to 2.31 lakh hectares. Hence, it has been submitted that the protection which was granted by this Court may be extended to the expanded area as well.

- 2 Ms Aishwarya Bhati, Additional Solicitor General submits that some time may be granted to her especially on this aspect, having regard to the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules which have come into force in 2017.
- 3 List the Petition along with Writ Petition (C) No 304 of 2018 on 21 July 2023.

(CHETAN KUMAR)
A.R. - cum - P.S.

(SAROJ KUMARI GAUR)
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