

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, CENTRAL ZONAL BENCH, BHOPAL

**Original Application No. 16/2013**

**Tribunal at its own motion Vs. Ministry of Environment and Others**

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DALIP SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE MR. P.S.RAO, EXPERT MEMBER**

**PRESENT : Respondent No.1: Shri Om.S. Shrivastava,Adv.  
Respondent Nos. 2,3,4& 6 : Shri Sachin K. Verma, Adv.  
Respondent No.5 : Shri Shivendu Joshi, Adv.  
Respondent No.8 : Shri Deepesh Shukla, Adv.**

<b>Date and Remarks</b>	<b>Order of the Tribunal</b>
<b>Item No. 1 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2013</b>	<p>Shri Shivendu Joshi, Learned Counsel appearing for the responden no. 5t has filed today an Action Taken Report indicating the steps taken with respect of the 43 mines in the Mandla District of Madhya Pradesh for which cognizance was taken by the Tribunal.</p> <p>With a view to assess the impact and more particularly the cumulative impact of such a vast number of mines under operation with some of them even establishing crushing units and since the mining is reportedly being done between two important National Parks namely Kanha National Park and Bandhavgarh National Park, it is hereby directed that the Learned Counsel for the State of MP in consultation with the Department of Forest and Mining shall indicate on a map the location of the two National Parks as well as all the 43 mines in question and also the nearest habitation of villages located between the two areas. The Department of Forest shall also submit whether the area in question falling between the two National Parks is infact the path used by the tigers and other wild animals for the purpose of migration as a passage. The Counsel for the Ministry of Environment and Forest, Govt. of India shall also file an affidavit to this effect, based on the information available with the Ministry that whether any such proposal to declare the area in dispute as a 'Tiger Corridor' is under consideration.</p>

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We may clarify that the respondents have indicated that certain action has been initiated against the defaulting parties. The same may be carried out in accordance with law.

Let the matter be posted on **11.11.2013**.

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**(DALIP SINGH)**

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**(P.S.RAO)**