ITEM NO.4 COURT NO.4 SECTION PIL-W

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s). 651/2005

NEELAMBAR BABA & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

Date: 07-11-2017 This petition was called on for hearing today.

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UPON perusing papers the Court made the following

ORDER

According to learned counsel for the petitioners, nothing further survives in the matter and it has therefore become infructuous since the mining has stopped. However, we find that a report was called for from the Central Empowered Committee and that report was submitted in this Court on 16.03.2010. One of the recommendations made by the CEC is to the following effect:

"(a)a team from Central Government headed by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at Lucknow along with a representative of the Ministry of Mines not below the rank of Joint Secretary and Member Secretary of the Central Pollution Control Board as members should, after examination of relevant documents and records of the State of Rajasthan and U.P., verify the legality of the raw material received by each of these 15 stone crushing units during the last five years. The State of U.P. and Rajasthan will render all necessary assistance in this regard. Pending verification, the permissions granted to these 15 stone crushing units should be suspended and they should remain closed."

We have not been informed about the report given by the Committee headed by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at Lucknow.

The report should be placed on record by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at Lucknow within a period of four weeks.

In the event that verification as recommended by the CEC has

not been carried out, it should be carried out within four weeks.

List the the matter after six weeks.

(MEENAKSHI KOHLI) COURT MASTER (KAILASH CHANDER)
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