

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, WESTERN ZONE
BENCH, PUNE**

APPLICATION NO.33 /2013 (WZ)

Vasant Krishnaji Vhatkar Vs. Union of India & Ors.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.R. KINGAONKAR, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. AJAY A. DESHPANDE, EXPERT MEMBER**

**Present: Applicant/ Appellant : Navin Kumar Adv
: S.N. Chingale, Adv.
: Mr. S.A. Shah, Adv.**

Respondent No.1 : Mr. Vikas Malhotra, Adv.

Date and Remarks	Orders of the Tribunal
Item No.2 December 19, 2013 Order No.4	<p>We have heard Learned Counsel for the parties. The Counsel for the parties are permitted to place on record written submissions, if any, in as much as we have indicated to the Counsel for the Applicant that we are not inclined to decide the issues pertaining to the correctness or the legality of the Tiger Conservation Plan, as such, approved by letter dated 25-11-2013, yet, the Counsel submits that the earlier plan dated 25-10-2013, should be taken as final one and the MoEF, should be directed to decide the issue about granting of Environment Clearance (EC) on the basis thereof. He may justify such argument by filing the written submissions.</p> <p>The Counsel for National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), submits that subsequent Tiger Conservation plan dated 25th November, 2013, is a final Tiger Conservation Plan. He may make such submissions through his written submissions.</p> <p>After hearing the Counsel for the Applicant and the Authority i.e. National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), the matter is reserved for Judgment. Written submissions to be submitted within a week from today.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">....., JM (Justice V. R. Kingaonkar)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">....., EM (Dr.Ajay A. Deshpande)</p>