

Item No.04:

Court No - 1

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
SOUTHERN ZONE, CHENNAI
Original Application No. 88 of 2020 (SZ)
(Through Video Conference)

IN THE MATTER OF

Meenava Thanthai K.R. Selvaraj
Kumar, Meenavar Nala Sangam

....Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India and others.

....Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 25.05.2022.

CORAM:

HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE K. RAMAKRISHNAN, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE Dr .K. SATYAGOPAL, EXPERT MEMBER

For Applicant(s):

Mr. G. Stanley Hebzon Singh

For Respondent(s):

Mr. Ashik Ahamed represented
Mr. G.M. Syed Nurullah Sheriff for R1
Dr. D. Shanmuganathan for R2
Ms. Gayathri represented
Mr. S. Sai Satya Jith for R3
Mr. G. Viswanathan represented
Mr. A. Ramesh Kumar for R4

ORDER

1. As per order dated 02.03.2022, this Tribunal had considered the report submitted by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) signed by the officer on 07.02.2022, e-filed on 10.02.2022 and extracted in Para (4) of the order and also noted the reply affidavit filed by the first

respondent/Ministry of Environment and Forest and then posted the case to 25.03.2022 for filing rejoinder, (if any) to the statements already filed and also field their objections, (if any) to the report submitted by the authorities. Thereafter, the matter has been adjourned from time to time by successive notifications and lastly the matter was adjourned today as per notification dated 12.04.2022.

2. It is seen from the Joint Committee report dated 04.11.2020 mentioned that M/s. Sun Pharma Industries Limited (Sun Pharma) had obtained 'Consent' for the period of 2006 valid upto the period of 2007 and thereafter they have mentioned about the consent issued in the year 2020. Whether they are having consent between 01.04.2007 till 02.01.2020 is not clear from the report.
3. Further, it is also seen from the report that there was manufacturing of certain new product have been included after 1994 and whether they had obtained necessary Environmental Clearance (EC) even as per the Notification of 1994 is not clear from the report submitted.
4. Under such circumstances, we direct the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) to explain these aspects and to file a report regarding these aspects as well on or before 11.07.2022 by e-filing in the form of searchable PDF/OCR Supportable PDF and not in the form of Image PDF along with necessary hardcopies to be produced as per rules.
5. The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change is also directed to clarify this aspect especially, when M/s. Sun Pharma Industries Limited (Sun Pharma) is situated within Vedanthangal Lake/Bird Sanctuary itself.
6. The Registry is directed to communicate this order to the official respondents including the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate

Change and also to the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board for their information and also for compliance of the direction.

7. For consideration of further report, post on **11.07.2022**.

Sd/-

.....J.M.
(Justice K. Ramakrishnan)

Sd/-

.....E.M.
(Dr. Satyagopal Korlapati)

O.A. No. 88/2020
25.05.2022, Sr.

