

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL,
PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI**

**Original Application No. 424 of 2016
(Earlier O.A. No. 169 of 2015)**

**M/s. Mehdad & Anr.
Vs.**

Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change & Ors.

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SWATANTER KUMAR, CHAIRPERSON
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAGHUVENDRA S. RATHORE, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE MR. BIKRAM SINGH SAJWAN, EXPERT MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. AJAY A DESHPANDE, EXPERT MEMBER**

Present: **Applicant:** **Mr. Raj Panjwani, Sr. Adv. with Mr. Aagney Sail, Adv.**
Mr. Rajesh K. Singh, Adv. for Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Mr. Rakesh Sharma, Adv. for State of Tamil Naidu, TNPCB.
Mr. Jai A. Deshraj, Standing Counsel for State of Goa alongwith Ms. Shivangini Gupta, Adv.
Mr. Guntur Pramod Kumar, Adv. Mr. Guntur Prabhakar, Mr. Prashant Mathur Advs. for State of Andhra Pradesh.
Mr. Abraham C. Nathews, Adv. and Mr. Nishe Rajen Shonker, Adv. for State of Kerala
Mr. Abhimanyu Garg Adv. for UT of Puducherry and Ms. Preety Makkar, Adv.
Mr. Raja Chatterjee, Adv., Mr. Chanchal Ganguly, Adv. for State of West Bengal.
Mr. Mukesh Verma and Mr. Bikash Kr. Sinha, Advs.
Mr. Tanay Ak Pareek, adv. for UT of Daman & Diu & Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
Mr. Puja Kalra, Adv. for SDMC.
Mr. Prashant S. Kenjale, Adv. for State of Maharashtra.
Ms. Nishe Rajan Shonker for State of Kerala.
Lt. Col. Arindam Gupta, Suptag Sureyor .

Date and Remarks	Orders of the Tribunal
Item No. 03 May 31, 2017 ss	<p>We have heard the Learned Counsel appearing for the parties. We have also perused affidavit filed on 30th May, 2017 by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. To say the least, that the stand taken by the Ministry is unsatisfactory.</p> <p>The notification was issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in the year 2011 requiring declaration and notification of the CZMP in relation to the respective Coastal States. All that is brought to our notice is that the States are not</p>

<p>Item No. 03</p> <p>May 31, 2017</p> <p>ss</p>	<p>coordinating. It is evident that despite lapse of more than 6 years the hazardous line which is a very foundation of the preparation of CZMP, has not been fixed. At this stage we will not like to observe any further, but issue a direction that the Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change shall take a meeting of all the Principal Secretaries of Environment of the Coastal States within two weeks from today. In that meeting the entire course of action for finalization of hazardous line as well as notification of CZMP is to be adopted. In relation to which all the Coastal States shall be called and whichever State not cooperating with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change the same shall be recorded. The Minutes of the meeting shall clearly record facts in that regard. The Survey General of Survey of India shall also be present in that meeting. Lt. Col. Arindam Gupta, officers on behalf of Survey of India, is present and submits that the proposal has been sent for clearance of MoD and the clearance is awaited.</p> <p>We direct MoD to take expeditious action on the proposal and would bring the same to the notice of the Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, on the date of meeting. The date of meeting should be stated by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change positively within three days from today.</p> <p>The Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change would ensure that the minutes of the meeting are filed before the Tribunal, in advance, before the next date of hearing.</p>
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	<p>Item No. 03</p> <p>May 31, 2017</p> <p>ss</p>	<p>We direct all the Coastal State Governments to fully cooperate and be present before the Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change on the date of meeting fixed by him.</p> <p>List this matter on 14th July, 2017.</p> <p>.....,CP (Swatanter Kumar)</p> <p>.....,JM (Raghuvendra S. Rathore)</p> <p>.....,EM (Bikram Singh Sajwan)</p> <p>.....,EM (Dr. Ajay A Deshpande)</p>
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