

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

**Application No. 65/2012(THC)
(High Court of Gujarat)**

Sureshbhai Keshavbhai Waghvankar & Ors. Vs. State of Gujarat & Ors.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DALIP SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER
HON'BLE DR. G. K. PANDEY, EXPERT MEMBER
HON'BLE MR. RANJAN CHATTERJEE, EXPERT MEMBER**

**Present: Applicant / Appellant : Appearance not given.
Respondent No. 5 : Mr. Raj Kumar Adv. with Mr. S.L. Gindli Sr. Law
Officer**

| Date and Remarks | Orders of the Tribunal |
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| Item No. 5 July 1, 2014 | <p>On 27th June, 2014, the Chhattisgarh Environment Conservation Board has filed its compliance report along with the report as Annexure A-2. It has also filed a report and in its conclusion has given certain recommendations. Most of the recommendations are included with guidelines already issued by the MoEF / CPCB with regard to immersion of idols and Tazias which have been taken into account by this Tribunal while giving the judgment dated 9th May, 2013. The Learned Counsel submitted that the Ministry of Environment & Forests and the CPCB authority shall write directly to the State Governments for ensuring compliance of all the guidelines issued along with any of the suggestions which are found necessary in addition to the guidelines as recommended in the Report filed on 27th June, 2014.</p> <p>We will expect the Respondents to submit the response of the State Governments for ensuring compliance of the guidelines and the directions contained in the judgment dated 9th May, 2013. In addition, campaigns should also be organized in all the States including Union Territories and the Districts for creating awareness in this behalf. The Response from the State Governments through the MoEF and the CPCB be filed positively by 5th August, 2014. The matter shall be listed on 8th August, 2014.</p> |

In case the response from any of the States to the letter to be issued by the MoEF/CPCB is not received before 5th August, 2014, the CPCB shall inform the concerned States and Union Territories to remain present through the responsible Officer/Advocate and submit their response before the Tribunal during its hearing on 8th August, 2014.

The non-filing of response/non- appearance by any of the States and Union Territories concerned shall be viewed seriously by this Tribunal as the Judgment dated 9th May, 2013 should have been complied now by all the States and Union Territories concerned.

Stand over to 8th August, 2014.

....., JM
(Dalip Singh)

....., EM
(Dr. G. K. Pandey)

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(Ranjan Chatterjee)

