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

Original Application No. 190 of 2016 (M. A. No. 353 of 2016, M. A. No. 545/2017, M. A. No. 546/2017, M. A. No. 603/2017, M. A. No. 605/2017, M. A. No. 614/2017, M. A. No. 615/2017 & M. A. No. 629/2017)

Sushil Raghav & Anr. Vs. Central Ground Water Authority & Ors.

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## HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE JAWAD RAHIM, JUDICIAL MEMBER HON'BLE DR. NAGIN NANDA, EXPERT MEMBER

Present:	Applicant / Appellant	Mr. Utkarsh Jain Adv.
		Mr. Pinaki Mishra Sr. Adv. with Mr. A. A. Aron
		Adv. in M. A. No. 546/2017
		Mr. S. A. Zaidi Adv. in M. A. No. 629/2017
		Mr. Saket Gogia, Adv. in M. A. No. 614 and
		615/2017
		Mr. A. R. Takkar, Adv.
		Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh and Mr. Shighra
		Kumar, Advs.
		Ms. Pyoti, Adv.
	MoEF	Mr. Taruna A. Prasad, Adv.
	Respondent No. 3,5,9	:Ms. Nida Khan, Adv.
	Respondent No. 4	: Mr. Pradeep Mishra and Mr. Daleep Dhyani,
	Respondent No. 4	Advs
A .	11	: Mr. P. S. Bindra Adv, Mr. Rajiv Bansal, Sr. Adv.
	1/	Mr. J. S. Chandra, Adv. for DDA
	Respondent No. 7,8 & 10	Mr. Raman Yadav, Adv
	Ghaziabad Nagar Nigam	: Ms. Priyanka Swami, Adv.
	UPSIDC	
	Counsels for Indian	: Mr. Rajesh Raina, Adv.
		; Ms. Neelam Rathore & Ms. Bhawna Gera, Adv
	Industries Association	We A IZ David and We Toudin Dati Adms for
	CGWA	: Mr. A. K. Prasad and Mr. Jaydip Pati, Advs. for
- 4	RWA Indirapuram,	: Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh & Mr. Shighva, Adv.
	Ghaziabad	

Date and	Orders of the Tribunal	
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Item No.	We have the presence of the learned Counsel for	
May 30, 2017	the applicant, Learned Counsel for the CGWA and Mr.	
	Pinaki Mishra, Sr. Adv. appearing for the applicant in	
Hb	M.A. Nos. 545 and 546/2017 and also some other Applicants who have moved the Miscellaneous	
	applications.	
	This case is listed today in a follow up action for	
	ascertainment as to what further steps CGWA has	
	taken to enforce the order passed by this Tribunal on	
	15 <sup>th</sup> April, 2015.	
	Learned Counsel for the CGWA brings on record	
	that they have enforced the order dated 13-04-2017	
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effectively and in terms of the directions such of the industries which did not have consent, have been sealed.

He further submits that they have filed a statement today in which they have proposed certain action to be taken to prevent recurrence of the situation as occurred in this case. He submits and makes several suggestions and seeks further directions of this Tribunal.

Mr. Pinaki Mishra, Sr. Adv. appearing for the applicant in M.A. Nos. 545 and 546/2017submits that the matter is urgent. The industries who are part of the cluster( the applicant in M. A. Nos. 545 and 546/2017) have unnecessarily being sealed despite the fact that they are only using saline water and they have also complied with all the requisite norms and are running industrial activities lawfully. He seeks that the applicant in M. A. Nos. 545 and 546/2017 be exempted from the operation of the order dated 13-04-2017. Other industries who have moved Miscellaneous applications also seek the similar relief.

We have also ascertained from the Learned Counsel for the CGWA that as on today the CGWA has received 422 applications for grant of consent and they are under process. He has filed a list of those industries and other who have applied for grant of consent.

It is also stated that some more applications are expected and CGWA find is extremely difficult to individually deal with these applications in a shorter time. They require atleast 60 days to process one application.

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Be that as it may, he further adds to say that the CGWA is doing its best and substantially cleared the applications out of 422 to deal with fresh applications and appropriate provision has to be made.

Taking into consideration the urgency expressed by the applicant's industry, the fact that the order of this Tribunal has remained unenforced till now from 2015 and also the fact that some of the industries claim that they are using saline water only, detailed enquiry be made, if necessary. Each of the application need to be given opportunity to be heard and therefore detailed consideration is necessary which is not possible today due to paucity of time and the commencement of vacation from 1st June, 2017.

In the circumstance, and in the interest of justice and to enable the CGWA to process the applications, we are of the opinion, that it is desirable to keep the directions in the order regarding sealing of industries passed on 13-04-2017 in abeyance, till the next date of hearing.

In the meantime, the CGWA shall expedite by consider all the applications received by it and pass appropriate order and submit the list thereof to the Tribunal.

List all these applications for further hearing on 13th July, 2017.

(Dr. Jawad Rahim)	,JM
( Dr. Nagin Nanda)	,EM