

File No. 943/DSTE/NGT/EE/2021/32
GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT
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Puducherry, the 21 JAN 2021

ORDER

Sub : DSTE – Compliance of Order of the Hon’ble National Green Tribunal (NGT), Principal Bench, New Delhi dated 18.11.2020 in O.A No. 325 / 2015 in the matter of Lt. Col. Sarvadaman Singh Oberoi vs Union of India & Ors. - Protection and restoration of all the water bodies in the U.T. of Puducherry – Reg.

Ref: Letter No. A-14011/2/2020-WQM-I/13543 dated 26.11.2020 of the Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi.

Whereas, the Hon’ble National Green Tribunal (NGT), Principal Bench, New Delhi vide Order dated 18.11.2020 in O.A No. 325/2015 in the matter of Lt. Col. Sarvadaman Singh Oberoi Vs Union of India & Ors. relating to protection and restoration of all the water bodies, disposed the case with the following directions to the States / UTs:

“All States/UTs may forthwith designate a nodal agency for restoration of water bodies, wherever no such agency has so far been so designated.

(ii) Under oversight of the Chief Secretaries of the States/UTs, the designated nodal agency may

(a) Hold its meeting not later than 31.1.2021 to take stock of the situation and plan further steps, including directions to District authorities for further course of action upto Panchayat levels and to evolve further monitoring mechanism as well as Grievance Redressal Mechanism (GRM).

(b) Submit periodical reports to the CPCB/Secretary Jal Shakti, Government of India. First such report may be furnished by 28.02.2021.”

And whereas, in compliance of the Order dated 29.04.2019 in W.P. No. 24640 of 2017 of the Hon’ble High Court of Madras the TRPP Steering Committee was already re-constituted vide G.O. Ms. No. 81 dated 25/11/2019 of the Chief Secretariat (Public Works), Govt. of Puducherry under the Chairmanship of the Development Commissioner and the said

re-constituted Steering Committee shall function as the single nodal agency for restoration of all the water bodies viz. Tanks / Lakes / Ponds in the U.T. of Puducherry.

Now, therefore necessary action shall be taken to convene the meeting of the TRPP Steering Committee before 31.01.2021, to take stock of the situation and plan further steps including directions to the District authorities for further course of action up to Panchayat level and to evolve further monitoring mechanism as well as Grievance Redressal Mechanism (GRM) for protection and restoration of all the water bodies in U.T. of Puducherry in compliance of the order dated 18.11.2020 of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Principal Bench, New Delhi and submit periodical reports to the CPCB/Secretary Jal Shakti, Government of India.

This issued with the approval of the Chief Secretary.

(SMITHA. R, I.A.S.)
Secretary to Government
(Science, Technology and Environment)

To
The Superintending Engineer II – cum –
Member Secretary, TRPP Steering Committee,
Irrigation Division - Public Works Department,
Puducherry.

Copy to:

1. The Development Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government, Chief Secretariat, Puducherry
2. The District Collector, Puducherry District, Puducherry.
3. The District Collector, Karaikal District, Puducherry.
4. The Chief Engineer, PWD, Puducherry
5. The Regional Administrator, Yanam.
6. The Regional Administrator, Mahe.
7. The Director, LAD, Puducherry.
8. Standing Guard File.

S. B. Reddy
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