

Suo Motu vs The Chief Secretary, Government Of ... on 24 December, 2021

Bench: K Ramakrishnan, K. Satyagopal

Item No.4:

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL
SOUTHERN ZONE, CHENNAI
Original Application No. 76 of 2017 (SZ)

(Through Video Conference)

IN THE MATTER OF:

Proceedings initiated based on the

News item published in Malayala Manorama News
Paper - Malayalam Edition date 2017 on
the Caption "BLACK CITY".

... Applicant (s)

The Chief Secretary, w |

Government of Kerala

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Date of hearing: 24.72

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For Applicant(s): ae Cs
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Mr. E:K. Kumaresan for R1 to R3 &, R6.
Mrs. V.K. Remasmrithi for R4
Mr. K.R. Harin for R5

For Respondent(s):

ORDER

1. As per Judgment dated 14.07.2021, this Tribunal had directed to dispose of the matter with following directions:-

@) The Environment Department, Government of Kerala is directed to conduct the study. The Page 10f5 committee appointed by this Tribunal is directed to provide necessary guidance for the study as envisaged by them in the reports primarily in Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi and submit a periodical reports to this Tribunal at an interval of once in 3 (Three) months regarding the progress of the work, so that, if there is any gap found or any lethargic attitude is noticed in conducting the,.study, this Tribunal can give diregtions iss by': the we al Bench of ae ' slo Public ' de Transport AO scarry out their plan of a&8on- for. A, g out the old diesel vehicles replaced "with new model/new generation vehicles like, gas, electricity and green and clean fuel vehicles and submit the progress of the implementation of all those schemes on quarterly basis for assessment of progress to be considered by this Tribunal.

Gii) After completion of study in respect of the two major cities namely, Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi, model guidelines may be framed to resolve the issue and then the same guidelines can be adopted to be implemented in other cities as well, so as to solve the problem permanently. The committee members may be actively involved in evaluation of the study report and in formulation of model guidelines.

(iv) The Principal Secretary for Department of Environment, State of Kerala will act as nodal agency for co-ordination of all the committee members to '\$ 'the study and also for co-

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(vi) The Registry is directed to communicate this order to the Chief Secretary, State of Kerala, Principal Secretary for Environment, State of Kerala, Public Works Department (PWD), Revenue

Department, Transport Department, members of the committee and also to the other official respondents who are expected to implement the directions of this Tribunal for their information and compliance of the direction.

(vii) The Office is directed to place the reports, as and when received from the _ authorities including the committee before this Bench for Secretary.

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3. The learned counsel appearing for State of Kerala submitted that they have received the periodical report, if some time is granted they may be able to produce the same.

4. On the perusal of the report, we find that it is only a sketchy report which does not reflect the implementation of the directions issued by this Tribunal. They are directed to file a proper report on the basis of the directions issued by this Tribunal touching all Page 4of 5 the aspects, so that this Tribunal can evaluate the same and necessary further directions if any necessary can be issued in this regard and they are directed to submit the reports to this Tribunal on or before 01.02.2022 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 Registry is directed to.c@gmmunicate this order to the Chief Secretary, State of Kera pal Secretary for Environment, Nwtment, Principal og Skeithe committee ye expected to 2 er information "01.02.2022.

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