Item No. 10 Court No. 1

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

Original Application No. 329/2024 (I. A. No.128/2024)

Rajendra Tyagi Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 28.07.2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRAKASH SHRIVASTAVA, CHAIRPERSON

HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER HON'BLE DR. AFROZ AHMAD, EXPERT MEMBER

Applicant: Mr. Akash Vashishtha, Adv. for Applicant

Respondent: Mr. Ravinder Singh, Adv. for R-1 (Through VC)

Mr. Bhanwar Pal Singh Jadon (through VC) Mr. Harsh Vardhan Singh Rajawat &

Ms. Gargi Chaturvedi, Advs. for R - 3 & 6

Mr. Ravindra Kumar, Senior Advocate with Mr. Shivam Saksena, Adv. for

respondent no. 4 GNIDA

Mr. Amar Gupta & Mr. Zair Maqbool Advs. for R – 5 (through VC)

Mr. Pradeep Misra & Mr. Daleep Dhyani, Advs. for R-8

Mr. Gigi. C. George, Adv. for R - 9 (Through VC)

Mr. Srinivas Vishven, Adv. for R-10

Mr. Anupam Varma, Mr. Aditya Gupta & Mr. Sahil Arora, Advs. for R - 11

Mr. A.K. Goswami, Adv. for R - 13

Mr. Ashwin Raj, Proxy Counsel for Mr. Deepesh Raj, Adv. for R – 15

ORDER

- 1. In this original application (OA), applicant alleges that large-scale illegal residential and commercial construction is in progress in NOIDA and Greater NOIDA violating the environmental norms.
- 2. Learned Counsel for the applicant submits that these constructions do not have requisite environmental clearances, illegal borewells have been dug up and no sewerage system has been laid.
- 3. In terms of the earlier direction, reply affidavit dated 26.03.2025 has been filed by respondent no.15- New Okhla Industrial Development Authority (NOIDA). In that affidavit though it is vaguely stated that action

has been taken against such illegal construction but details of the persons/projects/properties/places against whom action has been taken have not been disclosed.

- 4. We have also examined the photographs which have been enclosed along with the affidavit as annexure R-15/3 colly. Most of these photographs are old photographs of November, 2022 prior to filing of this original application.
- 5. Thus, we find that respondent no.15-NOIDA has failed to give the clear picture of such illegal constructions being done in violation of the environmental norms and action taken against them.
- 6. Learned Counsel appearing for respondent no.15 seeks three weeks' time to place on record fresh affidavit with all the particulars and supporting material.
- 7. Learned Counsel appearing for respondent no.4-Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority (GNIDA) also submits that some action has been taken by respondent no.4 and detail affidavit in this regard will be filed withing three weeks.
- 8. Learned Counsel appearing for respondent no.6- District Magistrate, Gautam Budh Nagar also seeks three weeks' time to place on record the details of the action taken by respondent no.6 to ensure action against such illegal constructions.
- 9. Learned Counsel appearing for respondent no.9-District Ground Water Management Council, Gautam Budh Nagar submits that response affidavit has been filed yesterday. Office is directed to place on record the said affidavit.
- 10. During the course of hearing, reference has also been made to the photographs enclosed on page no.1194 and 1195 with geo-coordinates

and dates to show the extent of such illegal construction without EC/CTE/CTO.

11. Learned Counsel appearing for Uttar Pradesh Pollution Control Board (UPPCB) seeks three weeks' time to carry out the extensive inspection of the area concerned and find out projects/constructions which are being done in violation of the environmental norms and initiate action against them.

12. List on 08.10.2025.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

Dr. Afroz Ahmad, EM

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