

BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

Original Application No. 228/2013

Sudip Narayan Tamankar V/s Union of India & Ors.

CORAM: HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE DR. P. JYOTHIMANI, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE S.N. HUSSAIN, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE PROF. A.R. YOUSUF, EXPERT MEMBER  
HON'BLE Mr. RANJAN CHATTERJEE, EXPERT MEMBER  
HON'BLE Mr. B.S. SAJWAN, EXPERT MEMBER

Applicant / Appellant : Mr. Shiv Kumar Suri and Mr. Shikhil Suri, Advs.

Date and Remarks	Orders of the Tribunal
<p>Order No. 1 September 3, 2013</p>	<p>We have heard the Learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant. Admit.</p> <p>The issue relates to the alleged establishment of offshore casinos mounted on the river Mandovi, Goa by Respondents No. 6 to 12 for which approval has been granted by the Respondents No. 2 to 5. The averments made by the Applicant are that by virtue of establishing such offshore casinos and hotels on the bank of river Mandovi, Goa, it causes environmental pollution apart from the hazardous waste polluting the river. Considering the issues raised which is of grave nature, we are of the view that balance of convenience in granting an interim order is in favour of the public at large. In such view of the matter, Respondents No. 2 to 6 are directed not to grant any permission for any new establishment of offshore casinos. Apart from that the existing offshore casinos are restrained from dumping any of the materials on the river Mandovi, Goa until further orders. The Goa Pollution Control Board (Respondent No. 3) shall conduct an inspection and file a status report on the next date of hearing. Since, the matter relates to the Western Zonal Bench of NGT at Pune, the matter will be called on the next date of hearing at the Western Zonal Bench of NGT at Pune.</p> <p>Issue Notice to Respondents by dasti and also privately. Notice shall indicate the next date of hearing and the matter will be called at Pune.</p>

Registry to send all the papers relating to this case to the Western Zonal Bench of NGT at Pune.

Stand over to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2013.

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