

Item No. 07

Court No. 1

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

Original Application No.879/2022

Gauri Maulekhi

Applicant

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 06.12.2022

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR AGARWAL, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE PROF. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

Applicant: Mr. Raj Panjwani, Senior Advocate with Ms. Esha Dutta, Advocate

**ORDER**

1. Shri Raj Panjwani, learned Senior counsel appearing for applicant at the outset stated that applicant is not pressing prayer No. 1 and therefore he may be allowed to delete this prayer during the course of the day. The request is accepted. Let necessary corrections be made during course of the day.

2. This Original application has been filed under Sections 14, 18 and 20 of National Green Tribunal Act, 2010 read with Rule 24 of National Green Tribunal (Practices and Procedures) Rules, 2011 alleging that slaughters houses contribute immensely to the pollution and damage to environment and whenever a new slaughter house is to established, it is necessary to examine impact on environment on the part of the Authorities concerned in the light of the provisions of Environment Impact Assessment Notification dated 14.09.2006 (hereinafter referred to

as 'EIA Notification, 2006') but since slaughter house as such is not included therein, therefore no impact is assessed by the Authorities concerned and this is causing huge pollution once a slaughter house without such examination is established. It is argued that 'Precautionary principle' require that slaughter houses and processing units must be brought within the ambit of EIA Notification, 2006 and Tribunal may direct Respondent No.1-MoEF&CC to consider this aspect in accordance with law, expeditiously.

3. In our view substantial question relating to environment has arisen. Let Respondent Nos. 1 and 2 may file their response, if any, within one month by e-mail at [judicial-ngt@gov.in](mailto:judicial-ngt@gov.in) preferably in the form of searchable PDF/ OCR Support PDF and not in the form of Image PDF.

4. List this matter for further consideration on 10.01.2013.

5. A copy of this order be forwarded to the Respondent Nos. 1 and 2 be e-mail for compliance.

Sudhir Agarwal, JM

Prof. A. Senthil Vel, EM

December 06, 2022  
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