

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL  
CENTRAL ZONAL BENCH, BHOPAL  
(THROUGH PHYSICAL HEARING WITH HYBRID MODE)**

Original Application No.71/2023(CZ)  
(O.A. No. 97/2021/WZ)

Kirtikumar Sadashiv Bhatt	Versus	Applicant(s)
Narmada Water Resource & Ors.	<b>With</b>	Respondent(s)

Miscellaneous Application No.15/2024(CZ)  
In  
Original Application No.13/2021(CZ)

Dr. P. G. Najpandey	Versus	Applicant(s)
Union of India & Ors.		Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 02.12.2024

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE B. AMIT STHALEKAR, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Applicant(s) : None  
O.A. No.71/2023(CZ)

For Respondent(s) : Mr. Om Shankar Shrivastava, Adv. for MoEF&CC (in Virtual Mode),  
Mr. Prashant M. Harne, Adv. for State of M.P. (in Virtual Mode),  
Mr. Yadendra Yadav, Adv. for R-5 (in Virtual Mode),  
Ms. Parul Bhadoria, Adv. for MPPCB (in Virtual Mode),  
Mr. Rohit Sharma, Adv. for R-21 (in Virtual Mode),  
Mr. Sambhav Sogani, Adv. a/w  
Mr. Akshay Khare, Adv. for R-23 (in Virtual Mode),  
Mr. Gaurvanvit Jain, Adv. for R-27 (in Virtual Mode),  
Mr. Ayush Bharadwaj, Adv. for R-15,16,18,19 & 33

For Applicant(s) : Mr. Prateek Jain, Adv. (in Virtual Mode)  
M.A.No.15/2024(CZ)

**ORDER**

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1. Case called out. No one is present on behalf of the Applicant.
2. Affidavit dated 28.11.2024 has been filed by the Engineer in Chief, Madhya Pradesh Urban Development Committee with a Progress Report filed as Annexure-'R-1' thereto showing the tabular representation of Progress in the work of STPs for all cities/towns, marked therein. On perusal of Annexure-'R-1' (page 1819 of the paperbook) shows that the projects for Item No.1 Amarkantak, Item

No.4 Jabalpur, Item No.5 Bhedaghat, Item No.7 Saikheda have been completed 100 percent.

3. So far as Item No.2 Dindori, completion of project for construction of STP at Dindori is concerned, the Report mentions that work completed upto 90 percent; for Mandla, completion of work for construction of STP is shown as 76.79 percent; for construction of STP at Narsinghpur, work progress is shown as 85.50 percent and the Progress Report for Narmadapuram Hoshangabad, the status of the project shown as only 25 percent work completed. The contractor has stopped working after 14.07.2022.
4. We therefore, direct the Respondents to complete the remaining work of STP at Dindori, Mandla, Narsinghpur to be completed by **30.04.2025** and affidavit of compliance to be filed by **15.05.2025**.
5. So far as completion of the project for construction of STP at Narmadapuram, Hoshangabad is concerned, we direct the project to be completed and made functional by **31.12.2025** and affidavit of compliance to be filed by **15.01.2026**.
6. Reply dated 23.10.2024 has been filed by the Badwah Municipal Council; the same is taken on record.
7. Action Taken Report has been filed by the Respondent No.8, Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board; the same is taken on record.
8. Mr. Ayush Bharadwaj, holding brief of Mr. Rakesh Shrouiti, learned Counsel is present (in Virtual Mode) for the Respondent Nos.15,16,18,19 and 33. Learned Counsel informs that Mr. Rakesh Shrouiti could not appear as he has undergone a surgery.

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9. Mr. Prashant M. Harne, learned Counsel who is present (in Virtual Mode), accepts notice on behalf of the State Respondents, Government of Madhya Pradesh.
10. Ms. Parul Bhadoria, learned Counsel who is present (in Virtual Mode), is directed to accept notice on behalf of the Respondent No.6 and 8, Madhya Pradesh State Pollution Control Board.
11. Issue notice to the Respondent Nos.1, 2, 3 and 9, returnable within four weeks.
12. All the Respondents shall file their counter affidavits within four weeks.
13. Mr. Prateek Jain, learned Counsel for the Applicant shall provide e-copy/soft copy of the Application along with all its annexures to Mr. Prashant M. Harne and Ms. Parul Bhadoria, learned Counsel for the Respondents, within 48 hours.
14. Counsel for the parties shall complete their pleadings among themselves by the next date of listing.
15. **List on 15.05.2025.**

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**B. Amit Sthalekar, JM**

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**Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM**

December 02, 2024,  
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