

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL SOUTHERN ZONE,
AT CHENNAI**

ORIGINAL APPLICATION No. 239 OF 2024

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...Petitioner

-Vs-

1. The Chief Secretary to Government,
Ministry of Natural Resources,
Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009 & 4 Others

...Respondent

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Dated 26.03.2025

**M/s. GAUTAM S RAMAN
COUNSEL FOR 5th RESPONDENT
99400 71160**

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Dated at Chennai on this the 26th day of March, 2025



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Department of Environment, Climate Change and Forest,
Fort St. George, Chennai - 600 009
3. The Commissioner of Geology and Mining,
Guindy, Chennai – 600 032
4. The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,
Guindy, Chennai – 600 032
5. Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board, Rep. by its
Managing Director, No.1, Pumping Station Road, Chintadripet, Chennai-
600 031.

..... Respondent (s)

02

STATUS REPORT FILED BY THE 5TH RESPONDENT

I, V. Sivakumar, Hindu, aged about 57years, working as Superintending Engineer (WT&T) in Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Chennai do hereby solemnly affirm and sincerely state as follows:

01. I am the Superintending Engineer (WT&T) of the Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB), Chennai and I have been authorized to file this report before this Hon'ble Tribunal on behalf of the 5th Respondent herein and as such I am well acquainted with the facts and circumstances of the case.

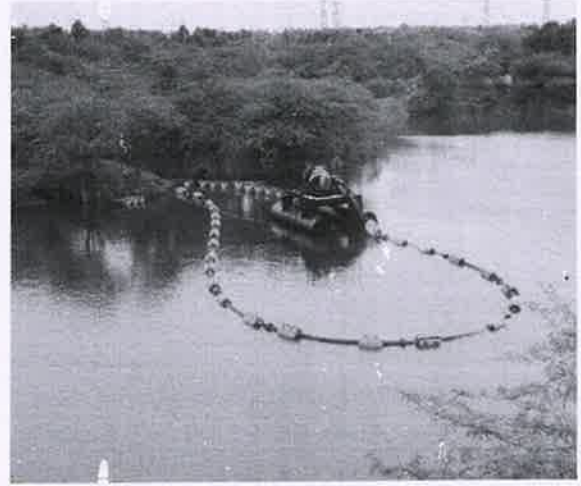
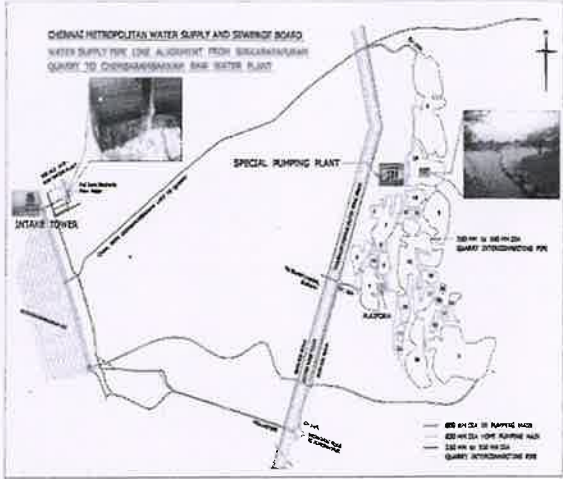
02. I am filing the status report on behalf of the 5th respondent in the present case, based on the order issued by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Southern Zone, Chennai in OA No. 239 of 2024 (SZ) dated 06.01.2025

03. I respectfully submit that CMWSSB in its efforts for water augmentation through non-conventional sources implemented the pumping of water from abandoned quarries at Sikkarayapuram Quarries during the extreme droughts in 2017, 2019, 2023 and 2024 under special initiatives.

At present, the infrastructure for pumping operation is ready to be operated as necessary at Sikkarayapuram Quarries. Also, infrastructure works for availing TNEB supply at Sikkarayapuram Quarries are completed and the application with TNPDCCL for obtaining power supply is in progress. The storage is at present close to 6000 ml.

The work of pumping arrangements at Sikkarayapuram Quarries were completed and operations commenced in 2017. In 2019, the pumping operations again commenced from Sikkarayapuram and the pumping operations were then not continued after 2019 due to subsequent good monsoons. The cumulative quantity pumped from Sikkarayapuram Quarries was 2727 ml in 2017, 3606.19 ml in 2019, 1292.73 ml in 2023 and 105.44 ml in 2024. The present status and pictures of Sikkarayapuram Quarries is as below:

V. Sivakumar



The CMWSSB infrastructure established in the interconnection provided to all the quarries, along with the kutchra drain provided by WRD from the Chembarambakkam surplus up to the quarries have now facilitated filling up of the quarries regularly. With the available storage and infrastructure, CMWSSB is in a position to draw 30 MLD from Sikkarayapuram Quarries and 10 MLD from Erumaiyur Quarries based on the need at present.

04. It is therefore prayed that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to record the above Status Report filed on behalf of CMWSSB rep. by its Managing Director, and pass such further or other orders as this Hon'ble Tribunal may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case and thus render justice.

Solemnly affirmed at Chennai on this 21st day of March 2025 and signed his/her/their name in my presence.

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Superintending Engineer (WT & T)
BEFORE ME,
CMWSS Board
No.1, Pumping Station Road,
Chintadripet, Chennai - 2.

ADVOCATE

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