BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

Appeal No. 145 of 2015 (Earlier Appeal No. 10 of 2009) (NEAA)

IN THE MATTER OF:

Samata Vs. Union of India & Ors.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SWATANTER KUMAR, CHAIRPERSON

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAGHUVENDRA S. RATHORE, JUDICIAL MEMBER

HON'BLE MR. BIKRAM SINGH SAJWAN, EXPERT MEMBER

Present: Applicant: Mr. Raj Panjwani, Sr. Adv., Mr. Rahul

Choudhary and Ms. Meera Gopal, Adv.

Respondent No. 1: Mr. Rajesh K. Singh, Adv.

Respondent No. 3: Mr. R. Venkataramani, Sr. Adv. and Mr. G.N.

Reddy, Advs.

Mr. Nikhil Nayyar and Ms. Smriti Shah, Advs.

For APPCB

Date and Remarks	Orders of the Tribunal
Item No. 51	We have heard the Learned counsels appearing for
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ss	case is for cancellation of four different Environmental
00 z	Clearances, all granted on 12th December, 2008 for
A B	different blocks Jarila Block-1, 2, 3 & 8 of bauxite mine in
	Vishakhapatnam. It is commonly conceded before us that
1 5	the project for which Environmental Clearance was
1000	granted has not commenced till date by the respondents.
	The Respondent No. 3 had entered into a joint agreement
	with An Rak Aluminum Ltd. which itself stands
	terminated and the parties are not ad-idem for executing
	the project at present. Joint agreement was entered into
	only for execution of this project.
	In light of the fact that 10 years have gone by and
	the projects even have not commenced, it will be
	necessary to MoEF to reconsider it afresh, if the Project
	Proponent approaches MoEF and decide to start the
	project. In that event MoEF shall consider afresh the
	request of the Project Proponent holistically and examine,

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if any other conditions are required to be imposed in the Environmental Clearance and whether there should there be a public hearing held again. These decisions would be taken up by the MoEF only after hearing both the parties.

With the above directions Appeal No. 145 stands disposed of. No order as to cost.

,CP (Swatanter Kumar)
,JM (Raghuvendra S. Rathore)
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