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IN THE MATTER OF

Threat to Life Arising Out of Coal Mining in South
Garo Hills District

-Vs-

The State of Meghalaya & Ors.

And other connected matters

P R E S E N T

- Prof. O.P. Singh, Department of Environmental Studies,
North Eastern Hill University, Shillong – 793002.
- Mr. T. Dkhar, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary,
Mining & Geology Department, Government of Meghalaya.
- Mr. C.P. Marak, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(PCCF & HoFF), Government of Meghalaya.
- Mr. R.S. Gill, IFS, Additional Principal Chief conservator of
Forests (Social Forestry & Environment), Meghalaya,
Shillong.
- Mr. H.C. Chaudhary, IFS,
Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Planning,
Development and Legal Matters), Meghalaya, Shillong
- Mr. P.L.N. Raju, Director, North Eastern Space Applications
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India, Umiam, District- Ri-Bhoi, Meghalaya
- Mr. Manjunatha C. IFS, Secretary to the Government of
Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department.

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- Mr. M.S. Lyngdoh, Director of Mineral Resources, Government of Meghalaya.
- Mr. L.S. Lyngdoh, Deputy Director, School Education & Literacy, Government of Meghalaya.
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- Mr. Gopal Sharma, Scientist, NESAC, Umiam, Ri-bhoi District
- Mr. J.H. Nengnong, Member Secretary Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board, Meghalaya.
- Mr. W.R. Kharkrang, Environmental Engineer, Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board, Meghalaya.
- Dr. B. Nongbri, Senior Scientist, Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board, Meghalaya.

PROCEEDING NO.5

RECORD OF THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDING HELD ON 7TH DECEMBER, 2018 AT 9:00 AM IN STATE GUEST HOUSE, SHILLONG, MEGHALAYA

The Member Secretary welcomed the Hon'ble Chairman, Members of the Committee, Special Invitees, senior officials of the State Government and of the Meghalaya Pollution Control Board present.

The following agenda items were discussed in the meeting:

- (i)** Review of actions taken to carry out the directions issued by the Committee in it's previous meetings.
- (ii)** Examination of the revised action plan for restoration of coal mining affected areas in Meghalaya.
- (iii)** Power Point Presentation by Central Pollution Control Board and,

- (iv)** Any other matters to be raised with the permission of the Chair.

AGENDA NO.(i)

1. The Department of Mining & Geology, Government of Meghalaya; Shri H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (PCCF), Government of Meghalaya and Meghalaya State Pollution Control Board (MSPCB) have submitted 3(three) Action Taken Reports (ATR) along with the annexures appended thereto, which are taken on record.

(a) The Committee has been informed by Shri H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF (Planning, Development & Legal Matters), Government of Meghalaya that an application has been filed before the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal for appropriate order relating to the appointment of the Member Secretary/ Coordinator of the Committee, which is likely to be taken up shortly.

Shri H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF shall apprise the Chairman and the Members of the Committee, in their respective *email ids*, about the order that may be passed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal as soon as the same is passed.

(b) Shri H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF, Government of Meghalaya, as well as the Director, NESAC present today have apprised the Committee that the revised proposal for an estimated amount of Rs.12,02,500/- has been submitted by NESAC for preparation of geospatial data based inputs for planning and restoration of areas affected by coal mining in the State of Meghalaya. A meeting of all concerned Departments was held on 05.12.2018 to ensure availability of funds to carry out various studies as directed by this Committee and for mapping of the affected areas. The Committee has also been apprised that in the said meeting, a decision was taken to make available all the required funds by MSPCB. It was also informed that in the said meeting, it was decided that in the event of shortfall of any fund, necessary funds will be made available

by the Government of Meghalaya to the MSPCB so that there is no hindrance in execution of the said project of mapping for the affected areas in the State of Meghalaya.

(c) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department and also the Additional PCCF (Planning, Development & Legal Matters), Government of Meghalaya have apprised the Committee that a meeting was held with the Representatives of the cement factories located in the State of Meghalaya, on 04.12.2018. In the said meeting, the cement companies have agreed to make available the required fund for any pilot project. Shri. T. Dkhar, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department has also apprised the Committee that the cement factories have given their consent in writing to make available the required fund for treatment of mining affected streams and rivers in East Jaintia Hills District from the Corporate Environmental Responsibility Fund or the Corporate Social Responsibility Fund. The Committee has also been apprised that pursuant to the Environmental Clearance given by the Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change, Government of India have stipulated the amount to be earmarked for CSR programme, apart from the additional amount for recurring expenditure, and monitoring of the said fund is done by the Regional Office of MoEF & CC, Government of India, having office in Shillong and headed by the Additional PCCF(C) and hence all the required data are available with the said office.

In view of the above, the Committee directs the presence of the Additional PCCF(C), MoEF & CC, Regional Office at Shillong, Government of India in its next meeting with all the data available with them relating to the fund earmarked by each of the cement factories and power plants in the State of Meghalaya and also the details of the amount already spent by each of the cement factories and power plants out of the said fund. The Additional PCCF(C) shall also apprise the Committee about the compliance of the conditions put in

the Environmental Clearance granted by MoEF & CC as well as by the State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority.

(d) The Chairman, MSPCB-cum-PCCF, Government of Meghalaya, has apprised the Committee that the State Pollution Control Board had proposed 20 additional Water Quality Monitoring Stations in the following water bodies located in mining areas of the State, apart from the existing Monitoring Stations under the National Water Quality Monitoring Programme (NWMP) to CPCB for necessary sanction. The Committee has also been apprised that the CPCB is yet to react to the said proposal dated 05.12.2018 issued by the Member Secretary, MSPCB.

(i) Sampling Stations in East Khasi Hills:-

- a) Sderkariah River
- b) Laitryngew Stream
- c) WahKhlek Khlek River

(ii) Sampling Stations in West and South West Khasi Hills:-

- a) Umngi River
- b) Rwiang River

(iii) Sampling Stations in East Jaintia Hills:-

- a) Kalipai River
- b) Kme-um River
- c) Kwai River
- d) Lukha River
- e) Bore Well – (Khliehwah Shasem-B)
- f) Borewell (GoodShepherd Parish)
- g) Borewell (Khliehwah Shasem-A)
- h) Bore Well – (Khliehwah Shasem-B)

(iv) Sampling Stations in West Jaintia Hills:-

- a) Myntdu River
- b) Lamu River
- c) Lynriang Rieng River
- d) Umiurem River
- e) Kupli River
- f) ThluMuwi River

In the ATR submitted, the MSPCB has stated that following sampling stations have recently been sanctioned by the CPCB:-

(i) In West Garo Hills:-

- a) Ganol River (Tura)
- b) Damring River (Krishnei)

(ii) In South Garo Hills:-

- a) Nongal River
- b) Simsang River (Baghmara)

The Committee has also been apprised that the Meghalaya Basin Development Authority (MBDA), which is a Society registered under the Meghalaya Society Registration Act, 1983, has already conducted the survey and prioritized the streams and rivers which requires treatment.

The Committee, in view of the above, requests Prof. O.P. Singh, Department of Environmental Studies, NEHU to prepare a project report, in consultation with the MBDA and also all the concerned Departments including MSPCB and to submit the same to the Mining & Geology Department, Government of Meghalaya, for making the fund available for implementation of the said project out of the CSR fund, as agreed to by the cement companies and Power Plants of the State of Meghalaya. Prof. O.P. Singh is requested to prepare and submit the said report (district wise) within a period of 15(fifteen) days from now.

The Regional Director, CPCB, Shillong shall take up the matter with the Member Secretary, CPCB, Delhi for according sanction of new Stations under NWMP.

(e) The Committee has been apprised that all the concerned authorities and Departments of Government of Meghalaya agreed to make available the required fund for implementation of the proposal submitted by CIMFR – CSIR.

The Member Secretary, MSPCB has also apprised the Committee that a proposal has already been submitted to the PCCF & HoFF, Government of

Meghalaya for onward submission to the Forest & Environment Department, Government of Meghalaya.

The PCCF & HoFF assured the Committee that the proposal submitted by MSPCB shall be scrutinized and forwarded to the Department of Forests & Environment, Government of Meghalaya at the earliest and preferably by Monday next.

Shri. H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF and acting as Member Secretary of the Committee as well as the Nodal Officer shall coordinate with all the concerned Departments of Government of Meghalaya so that the fund is made available at the earliest for implementation of the project.

The Committee, in view of the above, directs the Government of Meghalaya to initiate the process of implementation of the proposal submitted by CIMFR - CSIR immediately and to sanction the required fund on priority basis. A report in that regard shall be submitted to the Committee in its next meeting.

(f) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department shall submit a compilation before the Committee in the next sitting based on the feedback and the decision of the concerned Deputy Commissioners.

(g) Shri. H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF has submitted a detailed revised Action Plan prepared by him which will be discussed against Agenda No.2.

(h) The Committee has been apprised by the Chairman, MSPCB-cum-PCCF that MSPCB carried out the project study entitled "Socio Economic Impact of Coal Mining in Jaintia Hills District" during the year 2000-2001. The said study area comprises major coal belts areas in the said district.

The finding of the study indicated that the mining has both negative and positive impacts on the community.

The direct negative impacts identified by the local residents includes noise due to use of detonators, coal dust and general machine noise and indirect

negative impacts of the mining activities are on other business as most of the people, because of higher wages, want to work in the mines. Large scale migration of workers from the neighbouring States has also affected the livelihood of the local residents. It has also increased the anti-social activities in and around the mining sites. The local residents are also apprehensive of losing their identity due to large scale migration of workers.

The said study also reveals positive impacts of mining, namely, better income generation and employment opportunities.

It is evident from the ATR submitted by MSPCB that the said social impact assessment to find out the socio-economic impact of the rate hole coal mining was done 18 years before and hence, a fresh study on the coal mining areas in the State of Meghalaya is required to be conducted. MSPCB in the ATR has also indicated that a proposal has already been invited on 04.12.2018 from the reputed organizations/institutions for carrying out the said study fixing 07.01.2019 as the last date for submission of proposals.

The Committee, in view of the above, is of the opinion that a fresh study in that regard is required to be conducted and hence, MSPCB shall immediately finalize the aforesaid process initiated vide notice dated 04.12.2018 and submit the result of the study to the Committee before 31.03.2019.

(i) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department, assures the Committee that the result of the survey relating to the mining of other minerals, like limestone etc., in so far as it relates to the question – whether the same has been done in an organized and scientific manner with due regard to the safety, health and environmental concerns, shall be submitted to the Committee within a month.

(j) The Chairman, MSPCB, has stated that the officials of MSPCB and the Regional Directorate of CPCB, Shillong carried out monitoring and sampling of the following water bodies located in coal mining areas of East Jaintia Hills District on 29.11.2018 and found the water quality as below:-

Sl. No.	Water Bodies	Location	pH	Iron (mg/l)	Sulphate (mg/l)
1.	Kalipai River	Rymbai	2.51	4.2	100.2
2.	Kme-um River	Rymbai	2.7	4.4	99.1
3.	Waikhyrwai River	Mookhlot	2.6	4.2	99.9
4.	Kwai River	Moolamyliang	3.71	1.0	79.3
5.	Myntdu River	Mihmyntdu	7.1	0.30	9.7
6.	Borewell (Khliehwah Shasem-A)	Khliehriat	5.9	0.45	22.8
7.	Borewell (Khliehwah Shasem-A)	Khliehriat	4.4	0.80	10.2
8.	Borewell (Good Shepherd Parish)	Ladrymbai	7.5	0.3	6.4

(k) The Deputy Commissioners of all the districts in the State of Meghalaya shall within a fortnight from now submit their respective action plans for conducting public environmental awareness programmes on the adverse effects of the mining activities with the involvement of the local NGOs as well as students of the educational institutions and other public authorities including the village headmen.

The said Action Plan shall be submitted to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department. Based on the said Action Plan, the public environmental awareness programmes shall commence.

The Deputy Commissioners of the districts shall submit a report reflecting the numbers of such campaigns/programmes conducted, to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology, which shall submit the same, to the Committee in its next meeting.

The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department shall also ensure implementation of the direction issued by the Committee vide its proceedings No.4 dated 13.11.2018 relating to putting the sign boards in the affected areas.

The Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Education Department, shall be present in the Committee's next meeting.

(l) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department, in the ATR submitted to the Committee enclosed the chart showing collection of royalty of coal in the financial year 2015-16 either by way of the challans or RTGS, without however, calculating the total amount collected. A compilation in that regard showing the total amount collected shall be furnished to the Committee in its next meeting.

The list of persons annexed as Annexure – 8 of the ATR submitted by the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department are the persons may be indirectly affected or persons who stated to have lost their livelihood because of the stoppage of coal mining activities. The said list does not contain the names of the persons or workers who worked in the coal mines and either received injuries or died during the coal mining activities.

The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department therefore, shall ask the Deputy Commissioners of all the districts of Meghalaya to make available the names and addresses of the persons who worked in the illegal coal mines who received injuries and also the names of the workers who died in such mining activities. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department shall submit a compiled list in consultation with the Labour Department of Government of Meghalaya to the Committee in its next sitting.

(m) The Chairman, MSPCB has apprised the Committee that regular monitoring, under NWMP, in a total of 54 numbers of water bodies, out of which 8 numbers are located in and around the coal mining areas of the State, is being done. The water quality during the years 2014 to 2018 in respect of the said 8 water bodies are found as follows:-

TABLE: WATER QUALITY DATA OF RIVERS IN MEGHALAYA DURING 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018

Name of Rivers	Location	Districts	Year	pH		
				Ave	Min	Max
Umiam Mawphlang River	Shella	East Khasi Hills	2014	7.48	7.20	7.90
			2015	7.7	7.4	8.0
			2016	7.75	7.4	8.2
			2017	7.6	7.4	8.0
			2018	7.1	7.4	7.3
River Wahblei	Shaddkhar	West Khasi Hills	2014	7.29	7.00	7.40
			2015	7.35	7.2	7.5
			2016	7.0	6.6	7.7
			2017	6.75	6.3	6.9
			2018	6.6	6.8	6.7
Lukha River	Sunapur	East Jaintia Hills	2014	6.63	4.40	7.60
			2015	6.7	4.8	7.3
			2016	7.2	6.4	8.1
			2017	7.2	6.7	7.6
			2018	7.1	7.2	7.4
Lunar River	Myndihati	East Jaintia Hills	2014	2.67	2.20	3.00
			2015	2.6	2.2	3.0
			2016	2.8	2.7	3.0
			2017	3.0	2.8	4.4
			2018	3	2.8	2.7
Kyrhukhla River	Khliehriat	East Jaintia Hills	2014	2.93	2.40	3.50
			2015	3.2	2.8	3.6
			2016	3.0	2.8	3.3
			2017	3.2	2.78	3.7
			2018	3.1	3	3.1
Myntdu River	Leshka	West Jaintia Hills	2014	5.63	4.5	7.1
			2015	5.75	4.5	7.0
			2016	5.2	4.8	6.2
			2017	5.7	5.0	6.5
			2018	5	6.2	6.4
River Kynshi	Ranikor	South West Khasi Hills	2014	6.98	6.70	7.20
			2015	7.0	6.8	7.2
			2016	7.3	7.0	7.6
			2017	6.8	5.9	7.4
			2018	6.8	5.9	7.4
Simsang River	Williamnagar	East Garo Hills	2014	7.32	7.10	7.60
			2015	7.25	7.1	7.4
			2016	7.5	7.4	7.6
			2017	7.5	7.1	7.9
			2018	7.3	7.2	7.3

The Regional Director, CPCB shall, in the next meeting of the Committee confirm the aforesaid finding.

(n) The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department in his ATR submitted today has given the details of quantity of coal declared and assessed in respect of the districts mentioned therein, which is annexed as Annexure-2 to the ATR. It reveals therefrom that 1,76,655 metric tonne of coal is still available for transportation.

The Government of Meghalaya has also apprised the Hon'ble Supreme Court about the said figures which has been reflected in the Order dated 04.12.2018 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court while allowing transportation of coal till 31.01.2019.

(o) MSPCB is yet to submit the report in terms of the direction contained in Paragraph 17(xix) of the proceeding dated 01.10.2018, which shall be submitted before the Committee in its next meeting.

(p) From the ATR, submitted by Shri. H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF and the Nodal Officer, it appears that the Deputy Commissioners of East Khasi Hills District, Ri-Bhoi District, West Khasi Hills District, South West Khasi Hills District and West Jaintia Hills District in their reports have stated that no Rat Hole Mining activities is going on in those districts after the ban was put by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in the year 2014.

The Deputy Commissioner, East Jaintia Hills District however, in his report dated 03.12.2018 has admitted that fresh coal mining activities is going on in clandestine manner in the said district and fresh coal dumps are also available in some areas. The Deputy Commissioner therefore, admits continuance of mining activities and extraction of coal from the coal mines in his district even after the ban was imposed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in the month of April, 2014.

2(a) The Additional PCCF along with the ATR submitted by him has enclosed the district wise number of trucks carrying coal seized and cases instituted for illegal transportation of coal after imposition of ban by the Hon'ble National

Green Tribunal on coal mining in the State of Meghalaya. It appears from the said details that in 11 districts, name therein 2712 number of trucks carrying coal have been seized and 1139 cases have been registered. It also appears that in East Jaintia Hills District, 98 cases for extraction of coal after the ban was imposed, have also been registered which is a part of the total nos. of cases registered.

It is, therefore, evident that despite the ban imposed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, transportation of illegally mined coal is going on and a large number of cases have been detected and registered.

(b) It appears from the WT message dated 03.12.2018 received from the Superintendent of Police, Goalpara, Assam by the Additional PCCF (Planning, Development & Legal Matters), Government of Meghalaya that no cases have been registered in Goalpara District for carrying coal from the State of Meghalaya. The Superintendent of Police, Galpara, Assam be requested to apprise the Committee whether any truck carrying coal from Meghalaya, since imposition of ban by Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, has been seized and case registered.

(c) Shri. H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF has apprised this Committee that the compilation of such cases filed in the Hon'ble Meghalaya High Court as well as the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court is being done by the Law Department, Government of Meghalaya and the report in that regard would be circulated to the Chairman and the Members of the Committee shortly.

(d) The Committee perused the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26.11.2018 under the Chairmanship of the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department. In the said meeting, the cement companies requested at least 3 months time to complete the compilation work relating to the coal requirement and source of procurement of coal and also to furnish the supporting documents.

The Committee fails to understand as to why such a long time is required by the cement companies to furnish the required data and also the supporting documents to the Government of Meghalaya as they have to maintain the record and submit the annual reports reflecting the same to the concerned authorities.

The Central Pollution Control Board has also apprised the Committee today that some of the data are available with it, which will be compiled and submitted to this Committee within a week from now.

Having regard to the aforesaid, the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Mining & Geology Department shall ensure submission of the required data and supporting documents relating to the coal requirement and source of procurement of coal by each of the cement factories, Power Plant and Captive Power Plant in the State of Meghalaya year wise. The Report for the Financial Year 2017 -18 shall be furnished within a week.

(e) The Central Pollution Control Board has assured the Committee that based on compilation of the data, a report on coal consumption of Captive Power Plants and the cement manufacturing units of East Jaintia Hills Districts and also any clinker production for the last 4 financial years would be submitted along with data relating to the coal requirement and consumption along with the source of procurement.

(f) The Director of Mineral Resources, Government of Meghalaya has apprised the Committee about the advertisement issued in the newspaper on 03.12.2018 inviting quotations from the nationalized banks for investment of MEPR fund in interest bearing accounts. The Commissioner & Secretary, Mining & Geology Department shall take a decision relating to the selection of bank for the investment of the said fund. The said decision, however, shall not be implemented without the approval of the Committee.

(g) The Committee has been informed by the Director of Mineral Resources, Government of Meghalaya that some more amount would be

collected, in terms of the various orders passed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, for transportation of the coal permitted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 04.12.2018, which shall be deposited in MEPRF.

The Director of Mineral Resources, Government of Meghalaya shall keep proper account of any such amount realized and deposited in MEPRF, which shall be submitted to the Committee every fortnight.

AGENDA NO.(ii)

3. The Committee examined revised Action Plan prepared and submitted by Shri. H.C. Chaudhary, IFS, Additional PCCF. The Committee while appreciating the hard work done by Shri H.C. Chaudhary, IFS has suggested few changes which will be incorporated and a final revised Action Plan shall be submitted to the Committee in its next sitting.

Advance copy of the same shall be circulated to all concerned in their respect *email ids*.

AGENDA NO.(iii)

4. The Committee viewed the Power Point Presentation made by the Central Pollution Control Board. The Central Pollution Control Board shall compile the data and submit the report to the Committee.

The said Presentation reflects dumping of coal in the open, some of which were covered, in various cement factories and Power Plants, in violation of the conditions of the Environmental Clearance given, without naming them. The Presentation however reflects illegal limestone mining and showing a rapid deforestation in certain areas in East Jaintia Hills District.

AGENDA NO.(iv)

5. The Commissioner & Secretary, Mining & Geology Department, Government of Meghalaya has apprised the Committee that the transportation of coal as permitted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 04.12.2018

(copy of which has been placed on record) will commence immediately. The Hon'ble Supreme Court, having regard to the submission of the learned counsel appearing for the State of Meghalaya that 176655 MTs of coal is to be transported, granted time for transportation of coal upto 31.01.2019.

The Commissioner & Secretary, Mining & Geology Department and the Director of Mineral Resources, Government of Meghalaya shall submit the district-wise statement of transportation of coal before the Committee in its next sitting on 20.12.2018. Fortnightly statement of such transportation shall thereafter be submitted to the Committee.

6. All concerned Departments shall file their respective ATRs in the next meeting.

7. The next sitting of the Committee will be held on **20th December, 2018** at **10.00 A.M** in **State Guest House, Shillong**, which all the Special Invitees are requested to attend.

8. Prof. A.K. Singh, one of the member of the Committee, sought leave of absence for the next meeting, due to his personal inconvenience.

9. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

(JUSTICE BROJENDRA P. KATAKEY)
CHAIRMAN