

SECTION PIL (WRIT)

MATTER FOR : 07.02.2017

COURT NO. : 05

ITEM NO. : 101

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 230 OF 2001
(Under Article 32 of the Constitution of India)

WITH

INTERLOCUTORY APPLICATION NO. 12
(Application for including the applicant in the committee of experts
and to sanction an amount of rupees 10 crores
for national wetlands yatra)

WITH

INTERLOCUTORY APPLICATION NOS. 14 & 17
(Applications for intervention)

WITH

INTERLOCUTORY APPLICATION NO. 15 & 16
(Applications for directions on behalf of Petitioner)

M.K.Balakrishnan & Ors.

.... Petitioners

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

.... Respondents

OFFICE REPORT

The Writ Petition alongwith applications above-mentioned was listed before the Court on 17.01.2017, when the Court was pleased to pass the following Order:-

“Learned counsel for the petitioners seeks a week's time,so as to enable him to peruse the different orders passed by the National Green Tribunal, Principal bench, New Delhi, and so as to determine whether the instant petition should also be considered by the National Green Tribunal with the other pending matters.

List again on 24.01.2017.”

Thereafter the Writ Petition alongwith applications above-mentioned was listed before the Court on 31.01.2017, when the Court was pleased to pass the following Order:-

“On the request of learned senior counsel appearing for the Union of India, list the matter on 7th February, 2017.

In the meanwhile, we would like him to take definite instructions on whether the Draft

Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2016 which were said to have been circulated some time in March, 2016 have been finalized or not and, if not, reasons for the delay.

We would also like to know specifically whether the Central Wetlands Regulatory Authority, whose term expires on or about 14th February, 2017, has been reconstituted and, if not, reasons for the delay.

We would also like the Union of India to tell us what specific steps have been taken to preserve the 26 wetlands covered by the Ramsar Convention, 1971.

We make it clear that the petition is required to be taken seriously by the Union of India. ”

It is submitted for the kind information of the Hon'ble Court that Mr. G.S. Makkar has on 01.02.2017 filed affidavit on behalf of Ministry of Environment and Forest and Climate Change and the same is being circulated before the Hon'ble Court.

It is further submitted for the kind information of the Hon'ble Court that Mr. G.S. Makkar has on 01.02.2017 filed reply affidavit on behalf of Ministry of Science and Technology, the department of technology and the same is being circulated before the Hon'ble Court.

It is next submitted that Mr. Rohit Kumar Singh, Advocate has on 04.02.2017 filed an application for intervention on behalf of Anand Arya which has been registered as Interlocutory Application No. 17 and the same is being circulated before the Hon'ble Court.

The Writ Petition alongwith applications above-mentioned is listed before the Hon'ble Court with this Office Report for orders.

Dated this the 06th day of February, 2017.

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Assistant Registrar