

Adjourned. Post on 28.9.2007.

I.A.No.1201 in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

Pursuant to our directions the CEC has filed a report regarding the incident that happened in August, 1999. The counsel for the State of M.P. would like to file response to the report filed by the CEC. Four weeks time is granted for the same.

List on 12.10.2007.

I.A.Nos.1202 & 1206 in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

Adjourned. Post on 5.10.2007.

I.A.No.1220 in I.A.NO.548 & 994 IN W.P.(C) No.202/1995

The CEC has filed an interim report wherein it has stated that this Court passed an order dated 14.2.2000 by which certain activities were expressly prohibited and that included:

- (i) felling of trees and their removal;
- (ii) removal of bamboo or grasses for any purpose whatsoever;
- (iii) removal of corals and other living forms from marine national parks/sanctuaries;
- (iv) construction of tourist complexes, hotels and restaurants, zoos and safari parks or any other building not for direct use for protection and management of wildlife and its habitat; and other non-forest activities.

But it was not specifically stated as to what permitted activities could be done in the forest which may not have any commercial concern. In the CEC report it has been stated that the removal of weeds, clearing and burning of vegetation for fire lines, maintenance of fair weather roads, habitat improvement, digging, temporary water holes, construction of anti-poaching camps, chowkies, check posts etc. may be essential for maintenance of forests and for the prohibition and supervision of the forests for the Forest Department. We permit all these activities to be done though they do not come within the purpose of Order passed on 14.2.2000. It is also stated that the following activities may also be permitted:

- (i) laying of underground drinking water pipelines up to 4 inch diameter;
- (ii) laying of 11 KV distribution lines for supply of electricity to rural areas;
- (iii) laying of telephone lines or optical fiber for providing communication facilities in rural areas;

(iv) wells, hand pumps, small water tanks etc. for providing drinking water facilities to villagers, who are yet to be relocated from the protected area.

In addition to the above, the Anganwadies, government schools and government dispensaries which are essential for the inhabitants of people who are nearer to these forest areas shall continue and the Government may carry out construction activities in the forest area for the said purposes without there being any cutting or felling of trees.

The States may file application for clarification, if any of the States have any other other difficulty. It is open to them to make any appropriate suggestion in this regard.

I.A. is disposed of accordingly.

I.A.No:1226 & 1231 in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

MOEF is granted two weeks time to file a report.

Conmt. Pet.(C) No.65/2007in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

Contempt petition be treated as I.A.

Issue notice.

The CEC to file a report within a period of four weeks.

Conmt. Pet.(C) No.133/2007in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

Contempt petition be treated as I.A.

Issue notice to the State of Rajasthan.

The CEC to file a report within a period of four weeks.

I.A.No.1870-1872 in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

Adjourned.

I.A.No.1978 in W.P.(C) No.202/1995

Issue notice.

Post along with I.A.No.1287.

The CEC to file response within a period of three weeks.

List thereafter.

I.A.Nos.229,227,230 & 253-254 in W.P.(C) No.13029/1985

The Committee under the name Environment Pollution  
(Prevention & Control)

Authority has filed a report regarding the Outdoor Advertisement Policy.  
The concerned

Authorised  
1.10.2007