

Sub: Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 05th October, 2015 on the note of Ld. Amicus Curiae regarding classification of matters pending before the Green bench in different categories and their disposal.

Kindly find enclosed the Order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 05/10/2015 on the matters related to National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries for kind information and requisite action. The copy of the said order is also available in Supreme Court website at the following URL: http://courtnic.nic.in/supremecourt/casestatus_new/querycheck_page2.asp

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II. MATTERS RELATING TO NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE SANCTUARIES:

Now we come to matters relating to National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries.

At the time of hearing on the aforesaid subject, certain seggestions are made by the learned amicus curiae and other senior counsels. By incorporating them, we pass the following order(s):

implementation of projects in areas falling in National parks/sanctuaries, including rationalization of boundaries etc. will be considered by the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife ("NBWL") on its own merits and in conformity with the orders and directions passed by this Court from time to time, i.e. on 14.02.2000, 16.12.2002, 13.11.2000, 9.5.2002, 25.11.2005 and 14.09.2007 and other subsequent clarificatory orders/judgment(s) passed by this Court including the Goa Foundation Judgment, i.e. Goa Foundation Vs. Union of India & Ors., reported in (2014) 6 SCC 590.

We request the NBWL to furnish a copy of the orders passed by it within 30 days' time to the C.E.C. The C.E.C. is at liberty, if, for any reason, they are aggrieved by the decision of the Standing Committee of NBWL to approach this Court by filing an appropriate petition/application.

In all those matters where there is already decision of the Standing Committee of the NBWL shall abide the parties with all the conditions imposed therein.

If any party is aggrieved by the decision of the Standing Committee of the NBWL, they are at liberty to approach an appropriate forum for appropriate relief(s).

De-link I.A.Nos.2202-2203/2008, 2915-2917/2010, 2929-2931 in 2202-2203/2008, 3308-3310/2011 in 2202-2203, 3422/2012 in 2929-2931 in W.P.(C)No.202/1995 and list separately.

With the aforesaid observations and directions,, we dispose of the Interlocutory Applications/matters specified in Annexure-II to the note supplied by Shri Harish Salve, learned amicus curiae.

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NO. 202/1995 and list separately.