Item No. 17 Court No. 1

BEFORE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

Appeal No. 60/2025 (IA No 606/2025, IA No 607/2025, IA No 622/2025, IA No 767/2025)

M/s Girdhari Lal Constructions Pvt. Ltd.

Appellant

Versus

Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas & Ors. Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 09.12.2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRAKASH SHRIVASTAVA, CHAIRPERSON

HON'BLE DR. A. SENTHIL VEL, EXPERT MEMBER

Appellant: Mr. Rishav Ranjan, Mr. Vaibhav Shahi, Mr. Shubham Mishra & Mr.

Nikhil Kumar, Advocates for Appellant

Respondents: Dr. Abhishek Atrey & Mr. Navneet Gupta, Advs. for CAQM

ORDER

1. In this appeal filed under Section 18 of the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR & Adjoining Areas Act, 2021 (CAQM Act, 2021), the Appellant has challenged the order dated 19.03.2025 issued by the CAQM containing the closure direction under Section 12(2)(xi) of the CAQM Act, 2021. The Appellant has also challenged the show cause notice dated 11.04.2025 issued by the Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) for imposition of the environmental compensation.

- 2. Learned Counsel for the Appellant submits that he is confining this appeal to the challenge to the closure order dated 19.03.2025 and giving up the challenge to the show cause notice dated 11.04.2025 issued by the DPCC.
- 3. IA No. 767/2025 has been filed by the Appellant seeking withdrawal of prayer (b) relating to challenge to the show cause notice dated 11.04.2025.

- 4. On due consideration, IA No. 767/2025 is allowed. The Appellant is directed to carry out the amendment in the memo of appeal within three days.
- 5. This appeal has been filed after 153 days of the impugned order. Hence, there is a delay in filing the appeal. Therefore, IA No. 607/2025 has been filed by the Appellant seeking condonation of delay.
- 6. Relying upon the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of North Eastern Chemicals Industries Private Limited & Anr. vs. Ashok Paper Mill (Assam) Limited & Anr., reported in (2023) 19 SCC 798, learned Counsel for the Appellant has submitted that since no limitation for filing the appeal has been provided under the CAQM Act, 2021. Therefore, the appeal filed within the reasonable period should be treated to be within time.
- 7. Issue notice on IA No. 607/2025 to the respondents for filing their response/reply by way of affidavit before the Tribunal at least one week before the next date of hearing through e-filing.
- 8. Mr. Abhishek Atrey, learned Counsel accepts notice on behalf of the CAQM and seeks two weeks' time to file the reply to the IA.
- 9. It has been pointed out that similar two Appeals for different projects by the same Appellant being Appeal No. 68/2025 and Appeal No. 69/2025 are also pending before this Tribunal.
- 10. List alongwith Appeal No. 68/2025 and Appeal No. 69/2025 on 16.01.2026.

Prakash Shrivastava, CP

Dr. A. Senthil Vel, EM

December 09, 2025 Appeal No. 60/2025 (IA No 606/2025, IA No 607/2025, IA No 622/2025, IA No 767/2025) dv