

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Civil Appeal No(s). 4091-4093/2023

JAIPRAKASH POWER VENTURES LIMITED & ANR.

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

NAGENDRA KUMAR & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(ONLY IA NOS. 65982/24 AND 65984/24 ARE LISTED.
IA No. 65982/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS
IA No. 65984/2024 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES
IA No.113128/2024 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS)

Date : 10-05-2024 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Our attention is invited to IA No.113128 of 2024 filed by the first respondent and the compliance affidavit filed by the respondent-State which is of 8th May, 2024. Paragraph 13 of the compliance affidavit refers to the complaint made by the first respondent regarding illegal mechanized mining carried out by M/s. G.C.K.C Projects and Works Private Limited and M/s. Prathima Infrastructure Limited. The affidavit of the State does not mention about any concrete action against the illegal mechanized mining.

Our attention is invited to the various photographs annexed to IA No.113128/2024 which *prima facie*, show that the activity of mechanized mining prohibited by the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has continued at various places in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The photographs show the date and time of the photographs as well as

longitude and latitude of the places where illegal mining is being carried out. A copy of this application has been supplied to the learned counsel appearing for the State.

We direct the State Government to immediately constitute teams of officials to immediately visit the spots shown in the photographs as well as described in paragraph 12 of the complaint. The State Government shall take action of immediately stopping the illegal mining activities prohibited by the NGT and shall initiate action in accordance with law against those who are indulging in illegal mining.

A compliance report shall be filed by the State before this Court on 16th May, 2024.

Time is granted to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change to file an affidavit in terms of the earlier order is extended by a period of four weeks from today.

We direct that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change shall depute its officers to the sites indicated in IA 113128/2024 to ascertain whether mining activity has been stopped.

(ANITA MALHOTRA)
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COURT MASTER