

Govt. of NCT of Delhi
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY
Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, New Delhi.

F.OSD/CS/2023/1581-16/2

Dated: 27.01.2023

ORDER

Whereas in pursuance to the directions of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal on 09-01-2023 in OA No. 21 / 2023, a High level committee was constituted with the request to Hon'ble Lt Governor to head the committee.

1. Judicial Pronouncement - Brief Background

Whereas, Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) vide judgment dated 13.01.2015 in OA No. 06 / 2012 and OA No. 300 / 2013 in the matter of Manoj Mishra vs. Union of India & Ors. issued various directions, including directions to Delhi Jal Board (DJB) to operationalize existing Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs), construct new STPs, maintain and upgrade existing STPs by March, 2017 and other directions to DJB.

And whereas, Hon'ble NGT, while accepting both reports dated 19.04.2014 and 13.10.2014 filed by the Expert Committees viz.

- i. Committee constituted by the MoEF vide its order dated 13.09.2013 on the aspects of preservation, restoration and beautification of the banks of river Yamuna; and
- ii. Expert Committee appointed by the Tribunal on control of pollution and restoration of Yamuna River, including drainage system of Delhi together with action plan prepared by Delhi Jal Board, directed that the projects contemplated under these reports and the judgement of the Tribunal shall be completed by 31.3.2017.

And whereas, various orders have been passed subsequently by the Hon'ble NGT from time to time based on the Reports of the Yamuna Monitoring Committee constituted by Hon'ble NGT vide order dated



26.07.2018, including orders dated 11.09.2019, 05.03.2020, 06.07.2020 and 27.01.2021.

And whereas, Hon'ble NGT vide order dated 11.09.2019 in OA No. 06 / 2012 has passed detailed order giving various directions and timelines in respect of NCT of Delhi and also directed that timelines have to be compressed so as to complete every action by December, 2020 (except where shorter timelines are specified in the order or are otherwise possible). DJB was directed to complete the task of setting up of STPs by 31.12.2020 besides other directions to DJB *inter-alia* mentioning clear time lines for different projects.

And whereas, issue of pollution in river Yamuna in Delhi is being monitored by Hon'ble NGT *inter alia* issued orders dated 20.09.2018, 19.12.2018, 08.04.2019, 06.12.2019, 29.06.2020, 21.09.2020 and 22.02.2021 in O.A. No. 673 / 2018 in the matter of: News item published in 'The Hindu' authored by Shri Jacob Khoshy titled "*More river stretches are now critically polluted: CPCB*", and various orders in O.A. No. 593 / 2017 (Paryavaran Suraksha Samiti & Anr. Vs Union of India & Ors.).

And whereas, Hon'ble NGT again took up the matter in OA No. 562 / 2022, "*Ishika vs. Govt. of NCT of Delhi*" regarding corrective measures taken by Govt. of NCT of Delhi and neighbouring States and their impact on abatement of pollution in river Yamuna in Delhi, most particularly in the preceding one year.

And whereas, the Hon'ble NGT during January 2023, again took cognizance of the issue of unabated pollution of Yamuna in OA No. 21 / 2023 entitled "*Ashwani Yadav versus Govt. of NCT of Delhi*" on 09.01.2023 highlighting the continued failure of authorities in taking adequate remedial measures in terms of specific orders on the subject, keeping in view the huge gap in generation of sewage and available

treatment facilities, un-trapped drains and unauthorized colonies, incomplete river front development projects besides desilting / desludging of drains and the poor water quality of the river well beyond laid down parameters reflecting consistently higher pollution (75%) and in the light of non-compliances of directions of the Hon'ble Tribunal, a High Level Committee (HLC) of concerned authorities in Delhi headed by Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Delhi, with the Chief Secretary, Delhi, as Convener; and consisting of Secretaries of the Departments of the Govt. of Delhi viz. Irrigation, Forest and Environment, Agriculture, and Finance; CEO, Delhi Jal Board; Vice Chairman, DDA; Secretary or his nominee (not below the rank of Additional Secretary), Ministry of Agriculture, GoI; DG Forest or his nominee (not below the rank of DDG), MoEF&CC, GoI; Secretary, MoJS or his nominee not below the rank of Additional Secretary; Secretary, MoEF&CC or his nominee not below the rank of Additional Secretary; DG NMCG and Chairman CPCB. The Committee was asked to deal with all issues as set out in order dated 27.01.2021 and other ancillary matters mentioned above.

And whereas, the Hon'ble Tribunal in the same order dated 09.01.2023 asked the HLC to coordinate with all other Departments, to the extent necessary, meet physically, take stock of the situation with regard to the directions of the Tribunal, extent of compliance, extent of non-compliance, proposed remedial action for compliance of law, updated plan for compliance of directions, sources of funding, accountability for past failures, methodology for execution of the projects, timelines consistent with the spirit of orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and this Tribunal. After its first meeting, the Committee was asked to continue to meet at least once in every week for next six months, so as to achieve tangible results within the said period.



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2. First meeting of the High-Level Committee (HLC)

And whereas, the first meeting of the HLC under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Lt Governor, Delhi was held on 20.01.2023 at Raj Niwas, and list of attendees is at **Annexure - 18**.

And whereas, the status note and action plan in this regard was placed before the HLC by the concerned Departments / Authorities for the purpose of monitoring important parameters for rejuvenation of river Yamuna (Department wise action plans for Rejuvenation of River Yamuna is at **Annexures – 1 to 16**).

3. Decisions taken by the High-Level Committee w.r.t. trapping and treatment of all sewage/ industrial effluents generated in Delhi, enforcement of Delhi Water Board Septage Management Regulations 2018, regulation of River Yamuna Flood Plains and usage of treated water

And whereas, a detailed Action Plan was deliberated at length and finalized the same. All the crucial parameters on river health [like BOD < 3 mg/l, DO > 5 mg/l, minimum environmental flow – 23 Cumecs (437 MGD), etc.] were accepted by the HLC, and to achieve these parameters, the HLC finalized the Action Plan, including but not limiting to treatment of all sewage generated in Delhi, trapping of all major drains out falling into river Yamuna, extending sewerage network in all unauthorized colonies and JJ Clusters, regulation of River Yamuna Flood Plain including removal of all encroachments / Dhobi Ghats, enforcement of Delhi Water Board Septage Management Regulations 2018, utilization of treated STP water, upgradation of 13 Common Effluent Treatment Plants treating industrial effluents, etc.

3.1. 100% Treatment of Sewage generated [Gap in Treatment = 238 MGD]

3.1.1. Completion of construction of 03 New Sewage Treatment Plants at:

- i. Okhla (Total 124 MGD Capacity, 30 MGD capacity addition) by June 2023
- ii. Sonia Vihar (7 MGD capacity) by September, 2023
- iii. Delhi Gate (10 MGD capacity) within 12 months and matter of allotment of land shall be resolved by all concerned by 31.01.2023.

3.1.2. Completion of construction of 40 New Decentralised STPs with total capacity of 92 MGD (List of 40 DSTPs as per Annexure-3.)

- i. 29 Decentralized STPs with total capacity of 57.57 MGD by December, 2023;
- ii. For 11 Decentralized STPs having total capacity of 32.43 MGD, land is yet to be allotted by DDA and these STPs to be completed within 12 months, land related issues shall be finalised within a fortnight by DDA/ Revenue Departments.

3.1.3. Completion of rehabilitation of three existing STPs with 70 MGD capacity at:

- i. Kondli Phase – II: 25 MGD capacity by June, 2023
- ii. Rithala Phase – I: 40 MGD capacity by June, 2023 and
- iii. Yamuna Vihar Ph-II: 15 MGD capacity by September, 2023

3.1.4. Upgradation of existing 18 STPs to create Additional Capacity of 93.5 MGD be completed (75 MGD capacity by Dec. 2023 and remaining 18.5 MGD capacity by March, 2024).

3.2.Trapping of all drains out falling into river Yamuna, including trapping of sub-drains

Desilting of Existing Drains

It has been noted with concern that no desilting of existing drains network has been carried out in the recent past. As a result most of the drains are either completely choked or functioning with 10-15% of their designed flow. Hence a major desilting drive must be undertaken. Out of an approximate 200 km of trunk/peripheral sewerage held with DJB, 90.34 Km of desilting will be completed by June, 2023 from the ongoing contract. In addition, fresh contract will be done for remaining 110 km at the earliest. The entire desilting will be completed by September 2023. The status of the drain pre and post-desilting will be video recorded along with the testimony of the concern official monitoring the process. Independent audit of the desilting will be carried out post execution of the work.

3.2.1. Major Drains: Out of 18 major drains out falling into river Yamuna in Delhi stretch, trapping of 11 drains has been completed which are as follows:

- a) Magazine Road Drain
- b) Sweeper Colony Drain
- c) Khyber Pass Drain
- d) Metcalf House Drain
- e) Tonga Stand Drain
- f) Moat Drain (Vijay Ghat)
- g) Civil Military Drain
- h) Drain No 14
- i) Tughlaqabad Drain
- j) Kalkaji Drain
- k) Tehkhand Drain

The following timelines to be followed for trapping of remaining major 7 drains:

- i. 02 major Drains (Delhi Gate Drain and Sen Nursing Home Drain) are partially trapped.

- (a) DJB shall construct 10 MGD STP to trap the remaining flow in the Delhi Gate Drain within 12 months and matter of allotment of land shall be resolved by all concerned by 31.01.2023.
 - (b) Sen Nursing Home Drain has been trapped into Sen Nursing Home STP as well as into the Ring Road trunk sewer. However, some marginal flow/ overflow still passes during peak hours. DJB to take measures to stop this marginal flow by desilting the drain and proper operation of Ring Road trapping by March 2023.
- ii. 02 major Drains (i.e., Najafgarh & Shahdara) are included in the Interceptor Sewer Project (ISP) where substantial flow of sub-drains under their command areas have already been trapped / intercepted. Both these drains are large drains and cannot be trapped technically, therefore,
 - (a) 74 Un-trapped sub-drains [44 in Najafgarh Drain and 30 in Supplementary Drain (which is sub drain of Najafgarh drain)] to be intercepted by October 2023.
 - (b) 2 Un-trapped sub-drains of Shahdara Drain to be intercepted by June, 2023.
- iii. For remaining 03 major drains, the flow will be trapped as per details below:
 - (a) Mori Gate Drain – 9.51 MGD Flow to be trapped by Sep, 2023
 - (b) Barapulla Drain – 31.97 MGD Flow to be trapped by Sep., 2023
 - (c) Maharani Bagh Drain – 6.66 MGD Flow to be trapped by Sep., 2023

3.2.2 Sub Drains:

- i. Interceptor Sewer Project (ISP) – Full trapping and treatment of 242 MGD wastewater to be completed by DJB by June, 2023.
- ii. Details of un-intercepted sub drains out falling into Najafgarh Drain, Supplementary Drain and Shahdara Drain are at **Annexure-7**, **Annexure-8** and **Annexure-9** respectively.
- iii. Action plan for 70 un-trapped sub drains as per schedule below:



- (a) 06 sub-drains by end of January, 2023 (falling in Najafgarh drain);
- (b) 03 sub-drains by end of February, 2023 (1 falling in Najafgarh drain and 2 are falling in Supplementary drain);
- (c) 11 sub-drains by end of March, 2023 (4 falling in Najafgarh drain and 7 are falling in Supplementary drain);
- (d) 04 sub-drains by end of April, 2023 (4 are falling in Supplementary drain);
- (e) 02 sub-drains by end of May, 2023 (1 falling in Najafgarh drain and 1 is falling in Supplementary drain);
- (f) 20 sub-drains by end of June, 2023 (4 falling in Najafgarh drain, 02 falling in Shahdara Drain and 14 falling in Supplementary drain);
- (g) 1 sub-drain by end of Sep, 2023 (1 falling in Supplementary drain);
- (h) 22 sub-drains by end of Oct, 2023 (falling in Najafgarh drain);
- (i) 01 sub-drain by end of Oct, 2023 (falling in Supplementary drain).

iv. Additional non-Recorded Sub Drains

It has been noticed that there are many illegal sub drains which are not in the official records of the drain owning agencies but are falling into the Main Drain. All drain owning agencies of the 18 main drains out falling into Yamuna will carry out physical inspection of their drains and ascertain these additional non recorded sub drains. The records will be updated by February, 2023 and action plan of trapping/closing these drains will be finalized by March, 2023.

3.2.3. Performance Audit of completely trapped 11 major drains and all sub-drains

DJB to undertake the Performance Audit of completely trapped 11 major drains and all sub-drains through an independent agency by February 2023. Simultaneously a multidisciplinary team of DJB, MCD, Irrigation & Flood Control department may be tasked to undertake internal audit.

3.3. Extending Sewerage Network in all 1799 Unauthorised Colonies and 639 JJ Clusters (List at Annexure-10)

3.3.1. Unauthorised Colonies (1799 Nos.)

- i. Sewer line laid and notified in 747 unauthorised colonies by Dec, 2022
- ii. Work of sewer network is in Progress in 573 unauthorised colonies to be completed by Dec, 2023.
- iii. Out of 161 unauthorized colonies, 123 awaiting NOC/Clearance from Forest, ASI and O Zone will be completed within 12 months of obtaining clearances but not later than June, 2024.
- iv. 318 unauthorised Colonies where sewerage network is to be laid along with Decentralized STPs to be completed by 08 month after allotment of land/ receipt of NOC.

3.3.2. JJ Clusters (639 Nos.)

- i. 558 JJ Clusters already connected with sewer lines.
- ii. Other 16 JJ Clusters are feasible to connect with sewer line and will be connected by June, 2023.
- iii. For remaining 65 JJ Clusters, where it is not feasible to connect them with sewer lines, therefore, decentralized modular/ prefabricated DSTP to be installed by DJB by June, 2023 with the support of NMCG.
- iv. Details of such un-trapped 81 JJ clusters is at **Annexure – 11**.
- v. DUSIB shall reconcile and finalise the list of Unauthorised Colonies and JJ clusters available with DJB. Action Plan for these left out Unauthorised Colonies and JJ Clusters shall be prepared and submitted to convenor within a fortnight.



3.4. Upgradation of 13 Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs), list of which is at Annexure-12.

- i. CETP at Narela (DSIIDC) will be upgraded by December, 2023;
- ii. CETP at Bawana (DSIIDC) will be upgraded by December, 2023;
- iii. DSIIDC informed that remaining 11 CETPs are being handed over by Industries Department of GNCTD to DJB. However, it was decided that DSIIDC shall discuss this issue with DJB once again to decide finally who (DSIIDC / DJB) is the appropriate authority for upgradation and O&M of these CETPs, especially after considering the fact that sewage to be treated in STPs and CETPs is of different nature and composition. A joint report be submitted by CEO, DJB and MD, DSIIDC recommending 'way forward' (including the appropriate authority (i.e. DJB or DSIIDC and timelines) for upgradation of such 11 CETPs to the Convenor of this HLC within a fortnight for taking final decision in this regard.
- iv. DPCC should carry out a thorough inspection of all the Industrial Colonies and take strict action against violating units like sealing/disconnection of power supply of defaulters on regular basis, at least once in a fortnight.

3.5. Enforcement of Delhi Water Board Septage Management Regulations 2018

It was decided by HLC to constitute a Committee under the Chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner, Revenue Department, GNCTD and consisting of CEO, DJB; Commissioner MCD as members; and Secretary, Urban Development Department, GNCTD as member-cum-convenor of this Committee, to revisit the Delhi Water Board Septage Management Regulations 2018 to make them more effective & enforceable. The Committee will submit its report latest by 15.02.2023 to the Convenor of this HLC.



It was informed that at present there are 196 vehicles that have been given license by DJB for Collection of septage. With the sewage network getting extended to unauthorized colonies and JJ Colonies, gradually these numbers should reduce. Accordingly, it has been directed to reduce these vehicles from existing 196 to 150 by June,2023. The vigil against illegal/unauthorized vehicle dumping the septage in water bodies etc must be enhanced through CCTV coverage and random checking. Strict action against defaulters will be undertaken inclusive of the vehicle carrier as well as the colonies contributing the septage.

3.6.Regulation of River Yamuna Flood Plain including removal of all Encroachments / Dhobi Ghats, List of which is at Annexure-14.

3.6.1. Restorative Projects of DDA in Yamuna Floodplains

- i. Asita East (Part B) to be completed by 31.03.2023;
- ii. Asita West to be completed by 30.06.2023;
- iii. Kalindi Biodiversity Park (remaining work) to be completed within 9 months after the completion of on-going NHAI project, by CEMDE;
- iv. Amrut Bio Diversity Park (90 Ha. on Eastern Bank) to be completed by 31.03.2023 by DDA;
- v. Amrut Bio Diversity Park (18 Ha. On Western Bank) to be completed by 22.05.2023 by DDA;
- vi. Amrut Bio Diversity Park (Remaining 8.25 Ha.) to be completed by 31.12.2024 by CPWD;
- vii. Wazirabad to Old Railway Bridge – Western Bank (Qudsia Ghat - 16 Ha.) to be completed by April 2023 by INTACH;
- viii. Wazirabad to Old Railway Bridge – Western Bank (Sur Ghat – 13.6 Ha.) to be completed by July 2023 by INTACH;
- ix. Wazirabad to Old Railway Bridge – Western Bank (Eco Trail – 33 Ha.) to be completed by 31.12.2023 by INTACH;



- x. Wazirabad to Old Railway Bridge – Western Bank (Yamuna Bazar Area – 3.4 Ha.) to be completed by 31.12.2023 by INTACH;
- xi. Yamuna Vanasthali – 236.5 Ha to be completed by 31.05.2023 by DDA;
- xii. Mayur Nature Park (Part A: 235 Ha.) to be completed by DDA (Case before Hon'ble High Court Case is pending and next date of hearing is 13.02.2023);
- xiii. Mayur Nature Park (Part B: 162.75 Ha.) to be completed by DDA / UP Irrigation Department (Case before Hon'ble High Court Case is pending and next date of hearing is 30.01.2023);
- xiv. Eco Tourism Area (30 Ha.) (22.7 Ha with DDA and 7.3 with DTC): Land has been taken back from IPGCL. Case before Hon'ble High Court Case is pending and next date of hearing is 15.03.2023 - Proposal will be taken once the O-II is finalised after notification of MPD 2041).
- xv. Hindan Sarovar (Part A: 15 Ha.) to be completed by 31.12.2023 by DDA;
- xvi. Hindan Sarovar (Part B: 30 Ha.) to be completed by 31.12.2023 by DDA

3.6.2. Removal of encroachments, List of which is at Annexure-15.

- i. Asita East (UP) – Out of 107 Ha., 50.24 Ha. has already been repossessed. Further, 21 Ha. has already been transferred by UP Irrigation Department to PWD, GNCTD. The following be submitted to the Convenor of this HLC by PWD latest by 31.01.2023:
 - a. Action taken by PWD w.r.t. such 21 Ha. area received from UP's Irrigation Department;
 - b. Action taken w.r.t. remaining 29.24 Ha. land with UP's Irrigation Department;

- c. Action taken for repossessing the remaining 56.76 Ha. land by PWD / Irrigation Department.
- ii. out of 100 Ha. of Kalindi Aviral, 0.81 Ha. area has been repossessed and 'nil' area is to be repossessed. Therefore, status of remaining 99.19 Ha. area be submitted;
- iii. out of 115 Ha. of Kalindi Biodiversity Park, 2.5 Ha. area has been repossessed. Therefore, status of remaining 112.5 Ha. area be submitted;
- iv. out of 200 Ha. of Asita West, 176.19 Ha. area has been repossessed and 5 Ha. area is to be repossessed. Therefore, status of remaining 18.81 Ha. area be submitted;
- v. out of 116.25 Ha. of Amrut Bio Diversity Park, 91.5 Ha. area has been repossessed and 1 Ha area is to be repossessed. Therefore, status of remaining 24.75 Ha. area be submitted;
- vi. out of 236.5 Ha. of Yamuna Vanasthali, 101.03 Ha. area has been repossessed and 5 Ha. area is to be repossessed. Therefore, status of remaining 130.47 Ha. area be submitted;
- vii. out of 235 Ha. of Mayur Nature Park, 23.02 Ha. area has been repossessed and 'yet to be assessed' area is to be repossessed. Therefore, status of remaining 211.98 Ha. area be submitted;

The above-mentioned details be submitted by DDA and PWD, as the case may be, along with action plan (with timelines) for (a) repossessed area and (b) repossessing the remaining area, to the Convenor of this HLC within a fortnight.

DDA shall submit the total floodplain area along with break-up of the same in restorative projects, encroachments, department-wise area allocated and the river surface area with geocoordinates. Action plans for removal of encroachment parcel-wise shall be submitted to convenor within a fortnight.



Mass Plantation Drive: The DDA will undertake a major plantation along these vulnerable stretches of this flood plains. The plan will be submitted by March 2023 and will be implemented by December 2023.

Special Drive to tackle unauthorized/illegal unfalling drains/nallah in to Yamuna:

It was observed that since DDA is the custodian of the Yamuna flood Plain it is its sole responsibility of carrying out a special drive to tackle any unauthorized/illegal out-falling drains in to Yamuna. On record, there are only 18 outfalling drains. Hence any other drain should be considered as illegal/unauthorized and must be traced back to its origin along with the identification of responsible agency. The complete report to be submitted by February 2023. Further, all such identified illegal/unauthorized drains/nallah flowing in river Yamuna must be diverted/closed after taking necessary remedial measures. The time line for the same will be shared by April 2023.

3.7. Utilisation of Treated STP Water, List of which is at Annexure-16.

- i. Quantum of Available Treated STP Water – 530 MGD
- ii. Mandatory Return Flow in River Yamuna – 267 MGD (As per the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court)
- iii. Present Use of Treated STP Water – About 90 MGD (mainly for horticulture purposes)
- iv. Proposed Use of Treated STP Water – 70 MGD at Coronation Pillar is to be converted into 'C' Class Inland Surface Water by Ultra Filtration process to be discharged in river Yamuna about 8.60 Kilometre upstream of Wazirabad. This is to be completed by June, 2024.
- v. Use of remaining 103 MGD Treated STP Water
 - (a) For Development / Rejuvenation of Lakes:
 - i. 40 MGD for Pappankalan (20 MGD – Commissioned) and Nilothe (20 MGD - Completed and will be commissioned by Feb, 2023;
 - ii. 15 MGD for Smiriti Van / Lake and nearby areas (10 MGD) and Najafgarh (5 MGD) by March, 2023;

- iii. 15 MGD for Rohini Lake No. 1 by August, 2023;
 - iv. 10 MGD for Sanjay Lake by September, 2023;
 - v. 35 MGD for Okhla (20 MGD) and Rohini Lake No. 2 (15 MGD) by December, 2023
- (b) DJB shall submit the plan to use treated STP Water in other usages, like in Farmhouses, Golf courses, construction activities, etc. and have already made available treated water at its STPs @ Rs 7 / Kilolitre.

And whereas, a summary of timelines for next 6 months for works to be carried out as finalized by HLC, is at **Annexure - 17**.

4. Other decisions taken by the High-Level Committee:

4.1. Meetings of the HLC

And whereas, the HLC decided that an alternate weekly meeting of the HLC may be chaired by the Chief Secretary / Convener of HLC (physical-cum-virtual meeting). Hon'ble Lt. Governor will take fortnightly meeting (physical meeting only).

4.2. Monitoring of projects through Delhi's e-Pragati Dashboard

And whereas, the HLC also decided that IT Department of GNCTD shall add all the above-mentioned actionable points on Delhi's e-Pragati Dashboard for the purpose of monitoring. Such Dash Board shall be operationalised within a fortnight.

4.3. Company of Territorial Army to be provided by NMCG to DPCC

And whereas, DG NMCG informed that a company of territorial army would be placed under the DPCC for ensuring ground level enforcement and monitoring for the purpose of identifying (if any left-out) all the drains / sub-drains which are yet to be trapped, enforcement of Delhi Water Board Septage Management Regulations 2018, convincing people not to throw their waste in drains, etc. Accordingly, HLC asked DG NMCG to

take appropriate action to provide such company of territorial army to DPCC at the earliest.

4.4. Development of Bio-diversity Park by NMCG

And whereas, NMCG offered to develop a Bio-Diversity Park in River Yamuna Flood Plains in case DDA allots a land of appropriate area to it for this purpose. Accordingly, HLC decided that the DDA may identify and allot a piece of land at River Yamuna Flood Plains to NMCG latest by 15.02.2023 for development of a bio-diversity park by NMCG.

4.5. Committee to identify and hand over land to DJB and NMCG

And whereas, HLC also decided to constitute a Committee under Chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner, Revenue Department of GNCTD with Pr. Secretary (Forest and Environment); VC DDA; and CEO DJB to resolve all land related matters (like identification and handing over land to DJB / NMCG for setting up of STPs / De-centralized STPs, Bio-diversity park, etc.) and the Committee shall ensure identification and handing over the requisite land parcels to DJB or NMCG, as the case may be, within a fortnight.

4.6. Campaign for Awareness and Involvement of Public

And whereas, the HLC also decided that the DJB, DPCC, I&F Control and DDA shall initiate an IEC campaign for awareness as well as involvement of the public at large in this initiative to restore old glory of river Yamuna. A detailed IEC plan in this regard including an annual calendar of IEC activities shall be submitted by all agencies to the Convenor of this HLC within a fortnight including mechanisms for implementation and monitoring of IEC identifying the key behaviours in conservation and rejuvenation of river Yamuna; messages to be used for these key behaviours; stakeholder groups to be addressed; the medium through which these messages will be conveyed; and influencers who will communicate these messages, employing an appropriate channel mix of mass media, print,

outdoor publicity, capacity building/awareness workshops, competitions, and digital media.

4.7. Responsibilities and Liabilities

And whereas, to ensure clarity in ownership of work, clear responsibilities, complete adherence to deadlines and the accountability of officers directly dealing with it, the HLC decided that the Nodal officers indicated in Annexures 1 to 16 with respect to each project shall be personally responsible for ensuring completion of the project within the above-mentioned timelines, and any failure of such nodal officer to ensure execution of the projects / works / responsibilities within the timeline stipulated in the action plan as finalized by the HLC will make such nodal officer liable for disciplinary as well as criminal proceedings for wilful disobedience of the orders passed by the Hon'ble Courts, this HLC and also for criminal disregard towards environmental quality of the river Yamuna as well as their failure to discharge their constitutional obligation to the citizens to provide clean environment by protecting the scarce sources of water.

5. Order

Now, therefore, the HLC ordered accordingly and directed that a copy of this order be also placed before Hon'ble NGT.


27/01/23

(Naresh Kumar)

Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
Convenor of High-Level Committee

Enclosures:

- (i) Annexures -1 to 16: Department wise action plans for rejuvenation of River Yamuna.
- (ii) Annexure -17: Summary of timelines for next 6 months for works to be carried out.
- (iii) Annexure -18: List of Attendees

To (For Necessary Action):

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6. Pr. Secretary, Irrigation & Flood Control Deptt. Govt. of NCT of Delhi, L. M. Bundh, Shastri Nagar, Delhi -31
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