

**Minutes of the Thirtieth Meeting of High Power Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2013 at  
3.00 p.m. in the Conference Room of WBPCB**

The 'Thirtieth' meeting of the High Power Committee was held on 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2013 at 3.00 p.m. in the Conference Room of WBPCB. The meeting was chaired by Dr Subrat Mukherjee, Member Secretary, West Bengal Pollution Control Board and Director, IESWM.

The meeting was also attended by the following members:-

1. Dr Dhrubajyoti Ghosh, Member
2. Shri Chandan Chayan Guha, Joint Secretary, Home Department, Govt. of West Bengal
3. Sri H. Singha Roy, Member
4. Srimati Snigdha Hazra, Law officer, Fisheries Department, Govt. of West Bengal
5. Dr. Rajarshi Chakraborty, Environment Officer, Environment Department, Govt. of West Bengal and Member Convenor.

**1. Order of Hon'ble High Court, Kolkata on 29.11.2013 with respect to WP 461/2013, GA 2566/2013, GA 2690/2013, CC 70/2013, GA 2045/2013 in People United for Better Living Versus Union of India.**

The members studied the order and thereafter started discussion on the way to move forward for compliance of the order.

The petitioners were also called to give their view to the committee. The following persons were present for the petitioners i.e. PUBLIC –

- i) Srimati Megna Banerjee, Member of PUBLIC.
- ii) Sri Suvrajyoti Chatterjee, Member of PUBLIC.

The members of the PUBLIC briefly apprised the committee on the matter of the Writ petition. The members of the committee requested them to provide them a copy of the writ petition and also the affidavit submitted by respondents and any other document that may be relevant. The members then decided that the first step should be to understand the specific boundaries which would come under the jurisdiction of the writ petition. Therefore the members asked the member of PUBLIC to come up with specific area of concern as stated in the writ petition. It was further decided that in the next meeting ADM & DLLRO, Hoogly will be invited to discuss the land details of Dankuni wetlands. Also land details including dag numbers of plots, recorded character of land-plots and their present use will be requested from ADM & DLLRO, Hoogly.

**2. Letter from M/s West Bengal Hosiery Park Infrastructure Ltd regarding land conversion.**

The members were of the view that it cannot decide on a case without proper investigation and without being sure of the case falling under the jurisdiction of activities as referred by the Hon'ble High Court from time to time. Therefore the matter was kept pending for now.

**3. Letter from M/s Bengal Anmol South City Infrastructure Limited.**

M/s Bengal Anmol South City Infrastructure Limited had requested the committee to provide them a duplicate copy of the letter written to them vide memo no EN/2995/3c-08/2011 dated 09/10/2013. The committee noted that letter had already been communicated by issuing hard copy through post as well through fax. Hence, further giving of duplicate copy of the same letter cannot be entertained.

**4. Reply letter from Deputy Director of Fisheries, Kolkata Zone regarding status report of Bikramgarh Jheel which informs that the Management and control of the Vikramgarh Jheel has been undertaken by the KMC.**

It was decided that the letter may be forwarded to Member secretary, SEIAA for information and necessary action.

**5. Complain letter from Subesh Dutta regarding illegal filling up a pond at Mouza – Muragacha, Dag No. – 193, under Post Office – Jugberia, withing the jurisdiction of Bikanda Gram Panchayat, P.S. – Ghola, Dist. North 24 Parganas.**

The Committee noticed that it is not a High Court referred case. Hence it may be forwarded to competent authority to look into the matter and take necessary action. It was discussed that Assisstant Director of Fisheries, North 24 Parganas is the competent authority in the case.

**6. Complained letter from Shri Sujit Bose, Member, West Bengal Legislative Assembly regarding filling up of a portion of a water body and making illegal construction at Duttabad (near Duttabad Sporting Club) under Ward no. 23, Bidhannagar Municipality, forwarded to High Power Committee by CTO, EKWMA.**

The Committee noticed that it is not a High Court referred case. Hence it may be forwarded to competent authority to look into the matter and take necessary action. It was discussed that Deputy Director of Fisheries, Kolkata zone is the competent authority in the case.

**7. Allegation against filling up of a big water body near Ruby Hospital.**

The Committee noticed that it is not a High Court referred case. Hence it may be forwarded to competent authority to look into the matter and take necessary action. It was discussed that Deputy Director of Fisheries, Kolkata zone is the competent authority in the case.

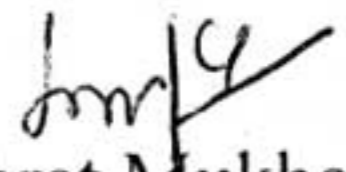
8. **Complained letter from Prasenjit Sarkar and Bhaskar Sarkar regarding unaughorised filling up of body by private persons and parking of private buses on premises no. 213 Netaji subhas Chandra Bose Road, Kolkata – 700 047, KMC Ward No. 98.**

The Committee noticed that it is not a High Court referred case. Hence it may be forwarded to competent authority to look into the matter and take necessary action. It was discussed that Deputy Director of Fisheries, Kolkata zone is the competent authority in the case.

9. **Letter from Mr Bijoy Brata De, for his clients Sri Amalesh Chowdhury, Sri Bimalesh Chowdhury, Sri Nikhilesh Chowdhury etc**

Mr Bijoy Brata De, advocate, High Court at Kolkata came up with a petition before the committee not to give any effect and not to pass any further order or orders in connection with the reasoned order passed by the committee with respect to W.P.4219 Of 2011- Sila Sengupta & others vs State of West Bengal & others within 30 days from the date of receipt of the petition for allowing his clients (Sri Amalesh Chowdhury, Sri Bimalesh Chowdhury, Sri Nikhilesh Chowdhury etc) to challenge the said order. After discussion, it was observed that the committee following the direction of Hon'ble High Court after due consideration of supporting documents passed the order and forwarded the order to the concerned department for taking necessary actions. Hence the Committee decided that there is no need to interfere into the matter further and the petition may be filed for the present.

The meeting then ended with thanks to everyone.

  
(Dr Subrat Mukherjee)  
Chairman, High Power Committee &  
Member Secretary, West Bengal Pollution control Board