

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL  
CENTRAL ZONE BENCH, BHOPAL  
(Through Video Conferencing)**

Original Application No. 41/2021(CZ)

(I.A. No. 37/2021)

Savita Rath

Applicant(s)

Versus

Union of India & Ors

Respondent(s)

Date of hearing: 02.07.2021

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEO KUMAR SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
HON'BLE DR. ARUN KUMAR VERMA, EXPERT MEMBER**

For Applicant(s):

Mr. Utkarsh Jain, Adv

For Respondent(s):

**ORDER**

Grievance in this application as raised by the Learned Counsel for the applicant is conduct of public hearing proceedings which was scheduled on 30.06.2021. It is contended by the learned counsel for the applicant that the EIA Notification, 2006 provides and empowers Respondent No. 2 to postpone public hearing proceedings in case of "untoward emergency situations". He has relied upon guidelines issued in March, 2020 and thereafter which was continued and amended from time to time till May, 2021. The situations which have been narrated by the learned counsel for the applicant prevailing in 2020 or up to April and May, 2021 due to Covid-19 are now amended and relaxation has been issued accordingly. Public hearing which was scheduled on 30.06.2021 has already been conducted. Nothing has been narrated that anyone was prevented from participating in the public hearing. Thus, this application is now infructuous, and there is no need to pass any order. Statutory

authorities are at liberty to proceed in accordance with law and in case, if anybody is aggrieved by the order of the authorities, remedy lies in approaching to appropriate forum. Original Application is finally disposed of accordingly.

Sheo Kumar Singh, JM

Arun Kumar Verma, EM

July 02<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021  
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