IN THE HIGH COURT OF ORISSA AT CUTTACK W.P.(C) PIL No.7118 of 2021

In Re: Olive Ridley Turtles

Petitioner

Mr. Mohit Agarwal, Amicus Curiae

-versus-

Principal Secretary, Forest and....Opp. PartiesEnvironment Department and others

16.11.2021

Mr. P.K. Muduli Additional Government Advocate Mr. P.K. Parhi, ASGI Mr. Ashok Kumar Parija, Advocate General

CORAM: THE CHIEF JUSTICE JUSTICE A.K. MOHAPATRA

Order No.

14. 1. Mr. Parhi, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the Union of India prays for copies of the pleadings and orders in the present petition. A direction is issued to the Registry to provide him forthwith a soft copy of this petition and the entire pleadings on a pen drive that will be supplied by him.

2. The direction issued in paragraph 6 of the order dated 31st May, 2021 to the Union of India as far as State of Odisha to file separate affidavits on the steps taken for implementation of Court's direction issued on 15th March, 2021 and the orders thereafter on the various aspects is reiterated. The Union of India will positively file its affidavit on or before 20th December, 2021.

3. An affidavit has been filed by the State of Odisha on 20th September, 2021. Since nearly two months have elapsed, a further affidavit be filed up-dating the current status with regard to steps taken as mentioned in Paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 of the said affidavit. The said further affidavit be filed not later than 20th of December, 2021 and an advance copy thereof be served on Mr. Mohit Agarwal, learned Amicus Curiae.

4. Mr. Mohit Agarwal, learned Amicus Curiae points out that of the two boats of the Forest Department, one has broken down and requires to be repaired. The Taluchuan Marine Police Station has no patrolling boat at all.

5. Mr. Muduli, learned Additional Government Advocate assures that immediate instructions will be issued to rectify the situation. The Court directs the above situation must be rectified on or before 22nd November, 2021. A compliance affidavit be filed by the next date.

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ORISS (Dr. S. Muralidhar) Chief Justice

> (A.K. Mohapatra) Judge

R.K. Singh/Jagabandhu