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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.176 OF 2012
WITH

CIVIL APPLICATION NO.69 OF 2015

AND

CIVIL APPLICATION ST.NO.11854 ØF 2015

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PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.176 OF 2012

Mr. Rajesh Madhukar Pandit and Others.

Petitioners

Vs

The Nashik Municipal Corporation and Others.

Respondents

Shri Pravartak S. Pathak for the Petitioner in PIL No.176 of 2012 and for the Applicant in CA No.69 of 2015.

Shri Kamlesh P. Mali for the Applicant in CAST No.11854 of 2015.

Shri Ratnesh Dubey i/by Rutuja Ambekar for Respondent No.3.

Shri D.A. Nalawade and Shri N.R.Prajapati for Respondent No.4.

Mrs. M.P. Thakur, AGP for the Respondent No.5.

Shri Ankit Kulkarni i/by Little & Co for Respondent No.6.

Shri Deepan Dixit i/by Kartikeya & Associates for Respondent No.7.

Ms. Krishna Raja i/by L.J. Law for Respondent No.8.

CORAM: A.S. OKA &

REVATI MOHITE DERE, JJ

DATED : 11TH JUNE 2015

P.C.

An affidavit of Shri Manohar Kisan Pokale, Superintending Engineer and Administrator, Command Area Development Authority, Nashik, dealing with the affidavit of the Respondent No.7 in respect of lifting of water is tendered across the bar. Another affidavit of Shri Deependra Singh Kushwah dealing with the issue of arrangements to be made to curb pollution created due to solid wastes during Kumbha Mela

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is also tendered across the bar. As the Kumbha Mela is approaching very fast, both the issues and more particularly the issue of curbing pollution created due to solid wastes during the Kumbha Mela will be dealt with immediately.

- 2. There is another issue raised by the Civil Application No.69 of 2015. The reports of The National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI) indicate that the water of Godavari River is not fit for human consumption. The State Government will have to take a specific stand before this Court on this aspect. If the State is accepting that the river water is not fit for human consumption, the State will have to also state before this Court the steps which the State proposes to take.
- 3. Place this PIL along with the Civil Application on 18th June 2015 under the caption of "Directions". We request the representative of the NEERI to remain present on the next date.
- 4. We permit the Petitioner to file additional affidavit. The additional affidavit shall be filed by Monday the 15th June 2015.
- 5. It will be open for the parties to file affidavits dealing with the affidavit filed by Shri Manohar Kisan Pokale.

(REVATI MOHITE DERE, J)

(A.S. OKA, J)