

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-PIL No. 85 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of decision:- 03.08.2022

Court on its own motionPetitioner
Versus

State of Punjab ...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE.**

Present:- Mr. H.C.Arora, Advocate (Amicus Curiae).

Ms. Diya Sodhi, Advocate, for Punjab Pollution Control Board.

Mr. Avinit Avasthi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

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RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE (oral)

This Court has taken suo-motu cognizance of the matter with respect of the harmful effect on the health of the prisoners/undertrials due to release of toxic gases from the dyeing mills being operated near and around the Central Jail, Ludhiana. Status report regarding the steps taken by the respondent has been placed on record wherein it has been stated that several steps have been taken to reduce the pollution and omission of intoxicating gases.

Learned Assistant Advocate General appearing for the respondent-State of Punjab as well as learned counsel appearing for the Punjab Pollution Control Board submit that the issue regarding pollution in Ludhiana has been taken up by the National Green Tribunal, New Delhi and a committee to monitor the same has been constituted which is monitoring the issue and is also submitting the periodical report to the Tribunal. It is further stated that monitoring is continuing under the guidance of the Tribunal.

In the circumstances, we do not think it appropriate to keep this matter pending before this Court any further. The file is accordingly disposed of and directed to be consigned to the record-room.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No