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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-PIL-214-2024 (O&M)
Date of decision:- 11.11.2024

Court on its own motion (Re: Pollution points found along
Buddha Nullah)

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr. Gurinder Singh Lalli, Advocate.

Mr. Salil Sabhlok, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Abhilaksh Gaind, Advocate,
Mr. Rakesh Roy, Advocate for Punjab Pollution Control Board,
(through video conferencing).

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SHEEL NAGU, C.J. (ORAL)

1. This Court took suo-motto note of a newspaper report to the effect that effluents are being dumped in the Buddha Nullah situated in District Ludhiana which ultimately joins the Sutlej River thereby polluting the natural stream of fresh water.
2. During the course of proceedings taken up before this Court on 25.10.2024, it was informed by learned State counsel that Appeals No. 40 and 41 of 2024 titled *Punjab Dyres Association Vs Punjab Pollution Control Board* are pending consideration before the National Green Tribunal, Principal Bench at New Delhi.
3. In view of the commonality of the issue raised herein and the same being seized with National Green Tribunal in the shape of the aforesaid



two appeals, this Court refrains from proceeding ahead with this Public Interest Litigation to avoid any conflicting decision.

4. Accordingly, the present petition stands disposed of without commenting upon merits.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

11.11.2024
Amodh Sharma

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