

The Appellants, the Respondent No. 1, the Project Proponent, Goa State Infrastructure Development Corporation, Respondent No.7, Concessionaire of the Plant have all had a meeting attended by the Chairman and other Officials of the Goa State Pollution Control Board convened by the Learned Advocate General, State of Goa, and are accordingly filing this joint statement before the Hon'ble Tribunal in terms of the Order dated 14th January, 2016.

(A) The commitments on behalf of Respondent No.1, Project Proponent and Respondent No.7, Concessionaire.

1. The Plant in question at Saligao of the State Government shall be utilized to process and treat a fresh waste of 100 metric tonnes only in terms of the Environmental Clearance granted as well as the consent of the Goa State Pollution Control Board.
2. In addition to the aforesaid fresh waste of 100 metric tonnes per day, the superficial layer of fresh waste waste at the existing dump shall be remedied separately at the Plant under a separate temporary consent order issued by the Board.
3. Once the fresh waste presently existing on the old waste dump is processed, the Plant shall revert to its capacity of 100 metric tones

only, in terms of the Environmental Clearance and existing consent to establish.

4. The process of processing and handling of the existing waste including mobile and other requirements including covering the existing waste during the monsoon prior to 15 May every year shall be adequately provided for and covered by the Goa State Pollution Control Board separately in their order for consent to operate issued under the Water and Air Acts.
5. Excavation and processing of old waste from the quarry shall be completed within a period of 30 months excluding the monsoon.
6. The fresh waste which is brought in everyday upto an extent of 100 metric tonnes shall be off loaded only on the tipping floor of the Plant. There shall be no off loading of any fresh waste or dumping of any waste inside the Plant in the open area (except the tipping floor).
7. In the event of there being a breakdown of the Plant or any other apparatus thereof, then waste to the extent of 500 metric tonnes could be accumulated on the tipping floor and stored thereon and beyond this 500 metric tonnes, no fresh waste shall be received at the Plant

until the Plant becomes operational upon rectification of the cause of breakdown.

8. In such circumstances, no sooner the Plant becomes re-operational, it may work to a higher capacity so as to process the existing accumulated wastes on tipping floor and new waste simultaneously till the arrears is cleared.
9. Respondent No.7 shall make the first portion/cell of the landfill site ready for use, and only upon its certification by the Goa State Pollution Control Board, the consent to operate the plant shall be issued by the GPSCB.
10. The plot where the Plant is situated presently has 33% green area. In addition to this green area within its precincts, in and around the Plant bordering on the periphery of the boundary of the plot where the Plant is situated has already been declared as a natural cover/no development zone. Such protection shall continue to be in operation and the area shall not be altered for any other land use except of course for natural cover/vegetation/social forestry.
11. The Plant shall be monitored continuously through CCTV footage. CCTV shall be installed by Respondent No.7 at the Entry gate and the

tipping floor and the pit head (old waste). The footage will be stored for upto 30 days and will be made available to the Respondent No.1, or the Goa State Pollution Control Board or any other Authority which in law is entitled to conduct any inspection.

12. One or two Authorized Representatives duly nominated with the Managing Director of Goa State Information Development Corporation by the present Appellants or two alternative nominees (in case earlier nominated whenever unable to attend) in their place shall be entitled to visit the Plant every month for the purpose of ensuring and satisfying on behalf of the local community that the Plant is being run and operated by the Respondent No.7 as per the guidelines and commitments made herein. For this purpose, the same persons during visits shall be entitled to view the CCTV footage and other records available with Respondent No.1 herein under prior intimation to Respondent No.1. They will also be permitted to take pictures.

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13. The Appellants shall be at liberty in the event of having noticed any violations after the commencement of the Plant to be brought to the

attention of the Goa State Pollution Control Board and the Director,
Science and Technology.

Additional points for ensuring compliance with High Court judgement dated 13.8.2013:

1. The village panchayats shall be instructed to send only bio-degradable waste to the plant, as the High Court has already directed the VPs in the Suo Moto Writ Petition on garbage disposal in Goa to segregate the collected waste as follows: Compost the organic waste, bale the plastic waste (which will be collected fortnightly by the contracted agency for onward despatch for recycling as per govt.'s instructions) and store inert waste separately (to be collected by govt. for depositing in a landfill when available.)

2. Since the govt. is relieving the VPs of the composting task (as they appear to be incapable of the same), hence, only organic/biodegradable waste should be sent to the Plant. This arrangement will ensure that the Plant is utilised to 100% capacity, that govt. gets its full money's worth paid for processing to the contractor, that VPs are compelled to take some responsibilities for the garbage generated in their areas and more importantly, this direction will be in compliance with the High Court judgement dated 13.08.2013 and the MSW Rules.