

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL SOUTHERN  
ZONE, CHENNAI**

**ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO.169 OF 2023 (SZ)**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

Tribunal on its own motion Suo Motu based on the report dated 26.06.2023 received from Hon'ble Justice A.V. Ramakrishna Pillai on the Present Status of Waste dump site at Cubaloor in Mangalpady Panchayat, Kasargod District, Kerala.

...Applicant

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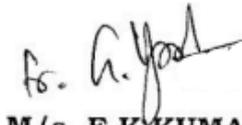
The Chief Secretary, Government of Kerala and Ors

...Respondents

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Dated at Chennai on this 03<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024



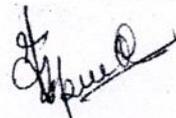
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**Report in OA 169/2023 Suo Motu (Status of Waste Dumpsite at Kubanoor in Mangalpady Panchayat, Kasaragod District, Kerala)**

The Waste processing facility at Kubanoor, was a waste receiving, processing and recycling unit in Mangalpady Grama Panchayath, Kasaragod district. The waste treatment plant has facility for processing wet waste and dry waste. Though the plant was operational for quite some time, later it became inoperative. Large quantity of solid wastes mostly plastics, foams, footwears, fabrics etc. were dumped without adequate segregation and processing. The waste collection and processing of certain area of the local body was entrusted with a private enterprise which had engaged only a few workers to segregate the dry waste collected daily. There was a baling machine in a separate room to make bundles of the collected plastic waste. In Mangalpady Grama Panchayat, the Haritha Karma Sena had been engaged for plastic waste collection. 128 tons of legacy waste have been removed through a contract with Clean Kerala Company Limited (CKCL). Inorganic waste in all wards was collected by Haritha Karma Sena and processed by CKCL. Mangalpady Grama Panchayat had made proposals for biodegradable waste management by providing bio bin and ring compost at house hold level. The Local Body schemes to address the gaps in the waste management were included in the Annual Plan 2023-2024.

Mangalpady Grama Panchayat has proposed a project by name "Biomining of Kubanoor Waste Treatment Plant" during 2023-24 for the removal of 15697.328 m<sup>3</sup> waste dumped in the plant. The project cost comes



to Rs.2 Crores which has got the approval of the District Planning Committee and is awaiting Technical Sanction.



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