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Before the National Green Tribunal,

Principal Bench, New Delhi.

Execution Application No. 46/2018

In

O.A No. 234/2015

Veterans Forum for Transparency in Public Life.....**Applicant(s)**

Versus

Chapra Nagar Nigam, Chapra & Ors.....**Respondent(s)**

**COMPLIANCE REPORT ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY, URBAN
DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING DEPARTMENT, GOVT. OF BIHAR.**

1. That the instant Progress Report relating to Khanua Nala, Chapra is being submitted in compliance of the order dated. 18.08.2020 passed by the Hon'ble Tribunal in the present matter.
2. That, by the aforementioned order the Secretary, Urban Development, Government of Bihar has been directed to

furnish further report of status of Khanua Nala as on 31.12.2020 and to complete the pending works.

3. That in order to ensure compliance of the order of this Hon'ble Tribunal, vide UDHD Departmental Letter No.1068 dated 09/09/2020 and another reminder Departmental Letter No.2039 dated 08/12/2020, D.M, Saran, Chapra/M.D BUIDCo and/Municipal Commissioner, Chapra Municipal Corporation were informed about the order of this Hon'ble Tribunal and were requested to make available detailed Progress Report to the Department.

4. That the factual status in this regard, as informed by the M.D, BUIDCo vide his Letter No.8579 dated 30/12/2020 has been made available to the Project Officer-cum-Deputy Director, UDHD, Bihar, Patna, is being submitted, as here under :-

A. Construction of RCC Khanua Nala-cum-Road is being executed under Agreement No.BUIDCo/Yo-598-34, dated 22.08.2019 by the agency Jai Mata Di Road Construction, Patna. The stipulated date of completion of the scheme is 18 months i.e, up to 21.02.2021.

B. The total length of Khanua Nala is approximately 3.2 km which constitutes of two stretches, stretch A having length of approx.1450 meter and stretch B of approximately 1750 meter.

C. Khanua Nala A

- a. The stretch of 1450 meter starts from Sadha Dhala and ends at Tinkonia via Mouna Chouk and Bhaggi Sah lane.
- b. In this stretch pucca masonry/concrete drain of 3.0 meter to 4.0 meter width exists and rehabilitation of drain by doing thorough cleaning and repair work with plaster and punning are aimed at.
- c. In this stretch almost 288 Nos of shops have been constructed by the municipality over the nala which are not allowing the machines to work there and great difficulties are being faced in rehabilitation work. Progress is being made by deploying manual means.
- d. In this stretch cleaning and rehabilitation work have been completed in approximately 200 meters length at Sadha Dhala. But due to local hindrance and encroachment the work could not be proceeded.

D. Khanua Nala B

- a. The stretch B of 1750 meter starts from Sluice Gate at Roopganj and ends at Jagdam College via Tinkonia, Purani Gurhatti, Court Campus, B.Seminary, Shivnandan Path.
- b. In this alignment RCC box type covered drain of variable cross section of width 3.0 meter to 6.0 meter are to be constructed.
- c. In this stretch 300.0 meter drain with the top slab has been completed at B. Seminary Campus. At Sluice Gate location Raft and both wall upto 2.4 meter height has been constructed in about 30.0 meter length. At

Kumar Ice Parlour/Dr. Shanti Rai' s Place in approx 50.0 meter length Raft construction is under progress.

E. Difficulties in Progress :

a. Encroachment over the Nala :

The Khanua Nala passes through heart of the Chapra Town and encroachment over the Nala persists at many place which has not been removed after several request to the administration. In this regard request has been sent to the Municipal Corporation, Chapra vide Letter No.407 dated 16/07/2020 and to the D.M, Chapra vide Letter No.28/12/2020.

b. COVID 19 :

The delay in the progress due to pandemic situation of COVID-19 from 3rd week of March 2020 till end of July 2020 is unavoidable.

c. Adverse rainy season stopping the work:

The Khanua Nala is the major drain of Chapra Town. The flow of Nala is heavy and there is no alternative drain to which the flow of Nala can be diverted. The execution has to be carried out by restricting the drain at 30-50 meters length and diverting the flow with the help of dewatering pumps on continuous basis. During the heavy rain and due to water logging problem the work has to be stopped and restriction were removed to cater the incoming heavy discharge. In this regard, Chapra Municipal Corporation, has been communicated vide EE' s Letter No.347 dated 23/06/2020.

F. Double-Decker Bridge Construction:

The construction of Double-Decker Bridge in Chhapra Town falls in the alignments of Khanua Nala and due to construction activity of this bridge, problem of water logging has worsened which has adversely affected the work of Khanua Nala.

G. Pucca Underground Drain/Sewer is present :

During the work at Purnia Gurhatti, the Nala flows in between series of Old House. During the course of removing garbage and Earth-Work and an old underground pucca arch shaped drain and RCC drain line has been found in the alignment of Nala. During breaking of this by JCV Machine and Deep Machine and Deep Excavation up to required depth threats to adjacent houses were observed as their foundation is shallow and it was decided to first give notice to the house owners through the Municipal Corporation and in this regard Municipal Corporation, Chhapra has already been requested.

5. That in view of above facts and circumstance instant up to date "Status- Report" may kindly be accepted.