

**BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL,  
SOUTH ZONE, CHENNAI**

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(Original OA No. 192 of 2025 (PB))**

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.....Applicant

And

Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation  
Through its Commissioner and others

.....Respondent(s)

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DATE: 07.08.2025

PLACE: CHENNAI

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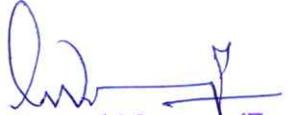
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1. The above matter was Suo Motu registered by the Principal Bench of the Hon'ble NGT, New Delhi, as Original Application No. 192 of 2025 (PB), based on a news item published in 'The Times of India' dated 15.04.2025, titled "Locals claim pollution killing fish in Gopanpally Lake; officials to inspect". Thereafter, it has been transferred to the South Zone Bench and renumbered as Original Application No. 110 of 2025 (SZ) and vide order dated 01.07.2025, Hon'ble NGT (SZ) has directed the Respondents to file reply, hence this Report is filed.

  
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2. It is reported that treated/untreated sewage water is being discharged into Gopannapally Lake. In this regard, it is to submit that as far as Respondent No.4/HMWSSB is concerned, the raw sewage generated from surrounding colonies of the Lake are captured and treated in the 4.5 MLD Capacity Sewerage Treatment Plant constructed near Gopannapally Lake. The treated water from the above STP is being discharged into the water body and no untreated sewer from STP is discharged into the Lake as alleged.

3.1 It is submitted that the HMWSSB is monitoring the quality of treated water of STPs regularly by conventional method (laboratory tests) on daily basis and also through Real time Monitoring i.e., OCEMS methods. The effluent parameters like BOD, COD, TSS and Dissolved Oxygen are being tested regularly before letting the treated water into the lake. The treated effluents are being tested by EPTRI and TSPCB regularly apart from HMWSSB. Further real time monitoring through Online Continuous Effluent Monitoring System(OCEMS) is also integrated to TS Pollution Control Board dash board. The STP and its trunk main are maintained regularly. However, the proposal for diversion of the trunk main, which is passing through the lake is sanctioned and the work will be taken up once the tender process is completed.

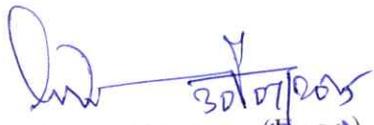
3.2 We further submit that the storm water and drain water is being looked after by the local municipal body.

  
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4. As far as fatality of fish is concerned as reported in the newspaper, it is a rare phenomenon that happens when the first rainfall happens on the onset of monsoon and it is generally seen in the similar situations in other surrounding Lakes in Hyderabad. The Fisheries Department has submitted its Report in earlier instances that due to acidification of lake water (larger ammonium contents in the rain water), the fish fatality takes place and the same reason would have taken place in this case also, as the first rains taken place on the onset monsoon during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April, 2025.

4. This is the submission of the Report before the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal.

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2025.  
Place: Hyderabad.

  
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