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AFFIDAVIT

I, K. N. Damo, Deputy Resident Commissioner, Government of
Arunachal Pradesh, Arunachal Bhawan, New Delhi do hereby solemnly
affirm on oath as under:-

1. That I have been authorized by the Department of Urban
Development & Housing, Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar to affirm this affidavit on behalf of the Department on the
basis of official documents that have been made available to me
and which I believe to be true.
2. That this Affidavit / Status Report is being filed pursuant to the
directions above mentioned passed by this Hon'ble Tribunal.



3. That even though this Hon'ble Tribunal by its order dated 13.7.2015 had directed that the Secretary, Department of Urban Development shall file his affidavit personally, however, the State Government is, for the present filing the affidavit through its Deputy Resident Commissioner, and the affidavit of the Secretary, Urban Development, Government of Arunachal Pradesh shall be filed at the earliest. It is submitted that due to extremely bad weather conditions in the State, internet services have not been available for sometime and consequently the order of this Hon'ble Tribunal dated 13.7.2015 was sent by the State Counsel by post, which has been received by the State Government. However, since sending the sworn affidavit of the Secretary, Department of Urban Development, by post will take some more time, it was advised that at the first stage the affidavit could be filed by the Office of the Resident Commissioner, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, New Delhi in order to comply with the time limit prescribed by this Hon'ble Tribunal. It is stated that the affidavit of the Secretary shall be filed as soon as the same is received by this office. It is, therefore, most respectfully prayed that this Hon'ble Tribunal may kindly permit the Deputy Resident Commissioner to file the affidavit on behalf of the Secretary, Department of the Urban Development and take the same on record.



4. That over the years, there has been a continuous and rapid migration of people from rural and semi-rural areas to town and city. As per Census 2011 the total population of Arunachal Pradesh is 13,82,611, of this, the rural population is 10,69,476

and the urban population is 3,13,135. The proportion of population residing in urban areas has increased from 20.75% in 2001 to 22.67% in 2011 in the State. The uncontrolled growth in urban areas has left many towns of the State deficient in infrastructure services such as water, supply sewerage and municipal solid waste management. The increase in urbanization and spurt in consumerism has resulted in an increase in generation of municipal solid waste (MSW) which is a major environmental issue. Concerted efforts have been made by Government Bodies / Local Bodies/Non-Government Organizations to address to this issue. The Urban Local Bodies/District Urban Development Agencies are responsible for collection, segregation, storage, transportation, processing and disposal of MSW.

5. The rapid growth in production of MSW has not been matched by development of the organization capabilities of the ULBs leading to severe strain on them and deficiencies in the execution of this vital function. There is now a need to have an integrated approach involving all the stakeholders (Government Agencies, Private Parties, Non-Formal Sector, Waste Producers, Public, Households, Corporate and Institutions etc.) to tackle this huge pile of MSW before it suffocates our cities and towns.

6. There are 29 notified urban centres at present in the State which are:



1. Tawang	2. Dirang	3. Bomdila	4. Seppa
5. Itanagar	6. Naharlagun	7. Sagalee	8. Palin
9. Koloriang	10. Ziro	11. Daporijo	12. Dumporijo
13. Basar	14. Aalo	15. Yingkiong	16. Mariyang
17. Boleng	18. Pasighat	19. Anini	20. Roing

21. Hawai	22. Tezu	23. Namsai	24. Changlang
25. Jairampur	26. Miao	27. Khonsa	28. Deomali
29. Longding			

7. The State Government had already constructed integrated scientific sanitary MSW 50 MT capacity treatment plant at Itanagar and scientific sanitary landfills of MSW at Changlang, Jairampur and Roing with funding from the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India. The integrated plants for Bomdila, Basar and Daporijo towns are under construction and progressing at advance stage. The treatment plants currently in operation in the State are primarily for composting waste to manure rather than making to refuse derived fuel.

8. The State High Powered Committee for Swachh Bharat Mission has already approved for release of fund to ULBs/DUDAs for door to door collection of MSW and to create social awareness about segregation of bio-degradable and non-degradable waste at source. In addition, few more proposals for establishment of treatment plants in phase manner have been initiated for approval and sanctioning of the Government.



[Signature]
DEPONENT

Verification -

Verified at New Delhi on this the 27 day of July, 2015 that the contents of the above affidavit are true to my knowledge and belief and that nothing false has been stated herein or anything material concealed therefrom.

ATTESTED
[Signature]
 NOTARY PUBLIC NEW DELHI
 27/07/15

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 IDENTIFIED BY

[Signature]
DEPONENT