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Madam,

Kindly see the appended Supplementary Report regarding the state of affairs relating to Solid Waste and Effluent Waste Management in Government Medical College, Kalamassery, Ernakulam District.

The same may kindly be placed before the Hon'ble Tribunal for consideration and orders.

Yours Sincerely,

JUSTICE A.V.RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI, (Chairman, SLMC, KERALA)

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The Registrar, National Green Tribunal, Southern Zone Bench, Kalas Mahal, Kamarajar Salai, PWD Estate, Chepauk, Triplicane, Chennai, Tamil Nadu-600005.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

PRESENTED BY JUSTICE A.V.RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (FORMER JUDGE, HIGH COURT OF KERALA) CHAIRMAN, STATE LEVEL MONITORING COMMITTEE, KERALA (FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE AFORESAID COMMITTEE) REGARDING THE STATE OF AFFAIRS RELATING TO SOLID WASTE AND SEPTAGE WASTE MANAGEMENT IN GOVERNMENT MEDICAL COLLEGE, KALAMASSERY IN ERNAKULAM DISTRICT

PRESENTED ON : 29.01.2022

(Previous Report is dated 08.01.2021)

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REPORT

Kindly see my previous report dated 08.01.2021 in the matter.

In the aforesaid report, the unscientific methods of disposal of Solid Waste (degradable waste including biomedical waste and non-degradable waste) by burning in the open space in the hospital premises, were pointed out. The condition of effluent treatment plant from which treated and partially treated effluence was discharged in the different earthen pits nearby, was also mentioned in the previous report. At that time the renovation of the treatment plant was undergoing.

Few days back ie., on 17.01.2022 I came across with a paper report on the same issue. The copy of the same is marked as <u>Annexure-I</u>. Annexure-I says that solid waste including plastics are disposed of in earthen pits in the open yard near the Cancer Centre, and effluents from the septic tanks is being discharged to the play ground of the College.

On 20.01.2022, I made a local inspection of the site. The Chief Environmental Engineer, KSPCB, Regional Office, Ernakulam accompanied me. <u>Annexure-II series</u> are the photographs taken at that time.

<u>REMARKS</u>

- a. Solid waste materials were seen in the open yard near the Cancer Centre [Kindly see Annexure-II(a)]
- b. Old pits in which solid waste materials were seen burnt during my previous visit, are now filled with soil. Presumably it may be due to the some ongoing construction at the site.
- c. The effluent treatment plant was found to be only partially operational [Kindly see Annexure-II(b)].
- d. The preliminary STP components were not operational [Kindly see Annexure-II(c)].
- e. It could be gathered from the responsible officer present at the site that preliminary treatment facilities viz. screen, oil trap etc., are not yet made operational.

- f. A small out let discharging effluent, opening directly to the play ground was noticed. It was routed to the public drain by the side of NAD – Kalamassery Road, in front of the hospital [Kindly see Annexure-II(c) to II(f). The foul smell experienced at the spot is indicative of the fact that the discharge was from some damaged soak pit or due to the overflow of some septic tank.
- g. No permanent distribution lines for satisfactorily discharging treated effluent were seen.
- h. Several flexible hoses were seen at the site. These may be temporary arrangements for transferring untreated sewage from primary collection tank to different components of STP.
- i. At the final discharge point of STP, a percolation pit was seen in dry condition and septage like matter was seen settled at the bottom. This would indicate that the septage treatment facility is only partly operational or not in regular operation.
- j. It is only reasonable to presume that the flexible hoses made mention of in Clause (h) above are used for discharging untreated effluent to the percolation pit mentioned earlier.
- k. According to KSPCB, this health care facility was allowed to function as per the consent renewal order which expired on 30.06.2018. The said consent was conditional. The consent was not renewed yet. The renewal application which was finally resubmitted on 29.12.2021 is pending for want of clarity regarding installation of STP as well as satisfactory treatment facilities.

Therefore, the Kerala State Pollution Control Board insists for the following.

- (i) Positioning of all primary sewage collection tanks and flow paths and marking the same in the approved site plan to ensure the entry of the entire raw sewage to the primary collection tank of STP and treatment components.
- (ii) Making all components of STP operational immediately.
- (iii) Replacement of flexible hoses by permanent fixtures.
- (iv) Showing the provided as well as proposed routes of treated effluent clearly in the site plan and getting it approved by the Board.

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- (v) Proper maintenance of TOD/effluent flow meter.
- (vi) Periodical submission of biomedical waste/soild waste disposal details.

Placed for consideration and appropriate orders.

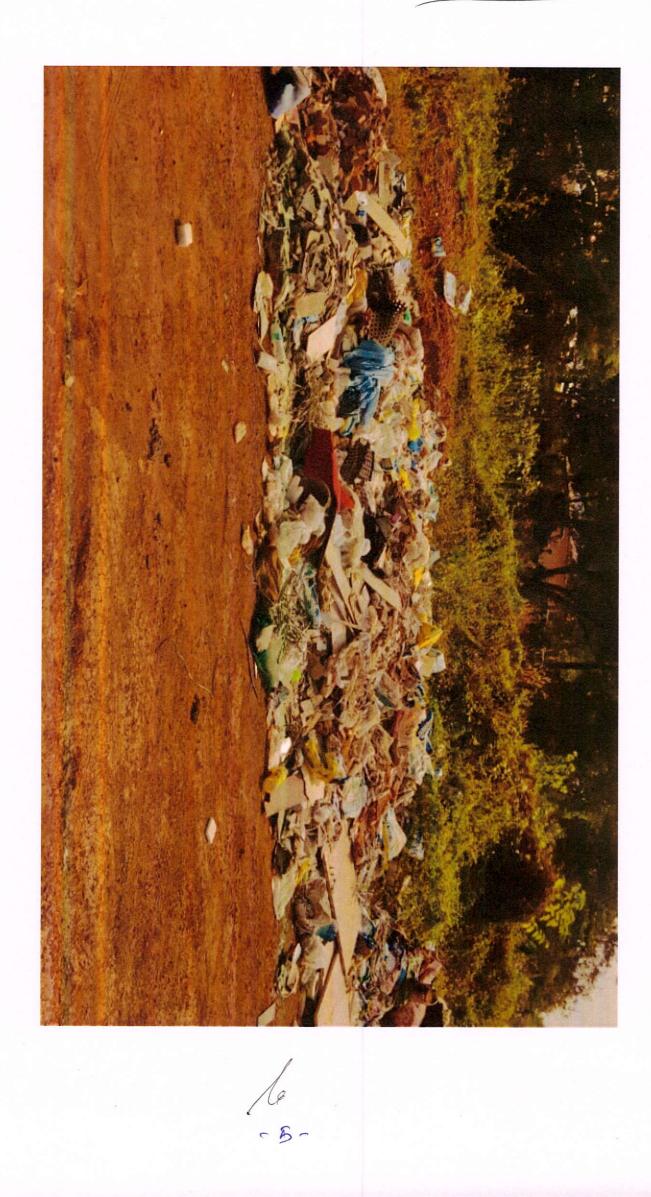
Dated this the 29th day of January, 2022.

Justice A.V.Ramakrishna Pillai (Former Judge, High Court of Kerala) Chairman, SLMC, Kerala.

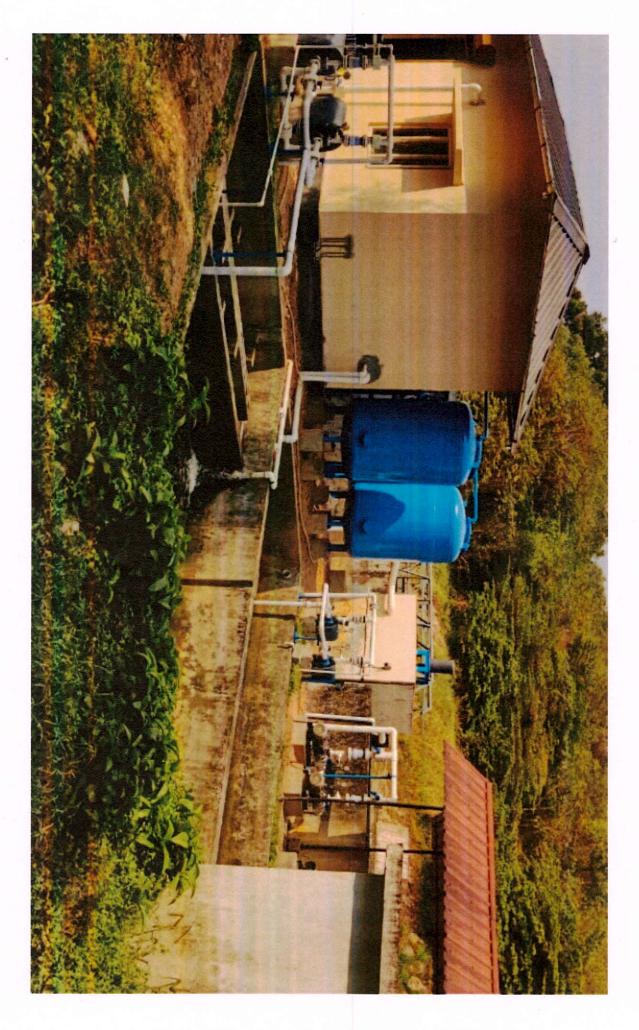
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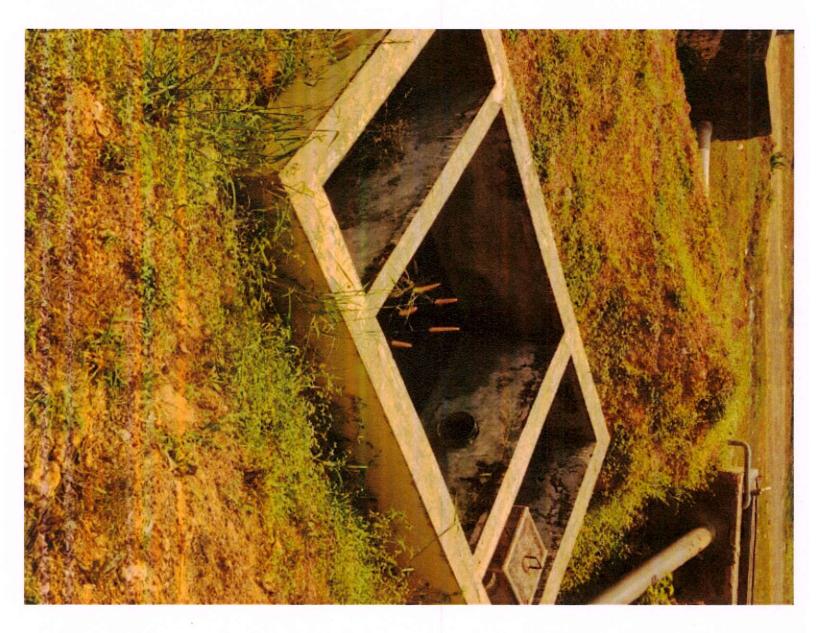
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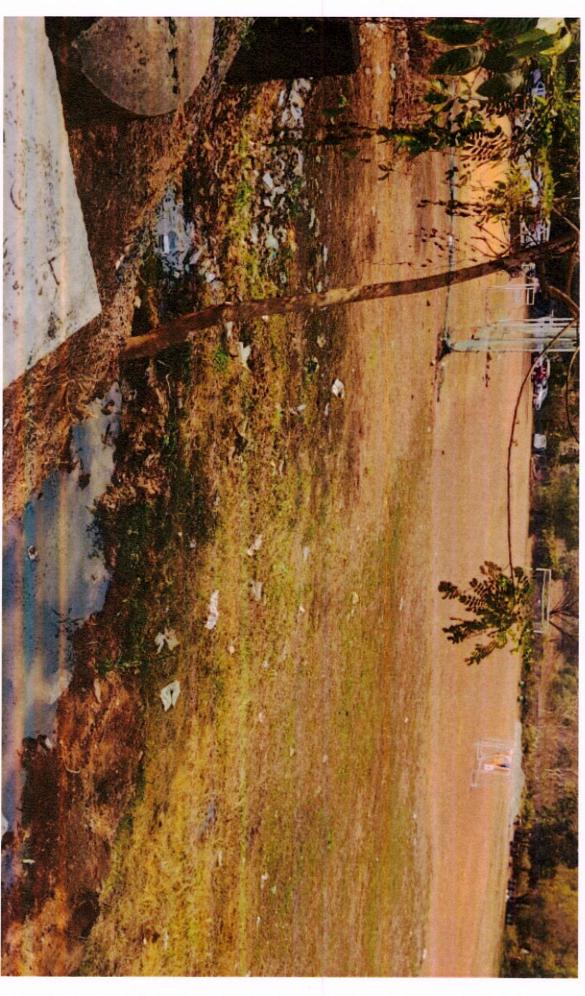
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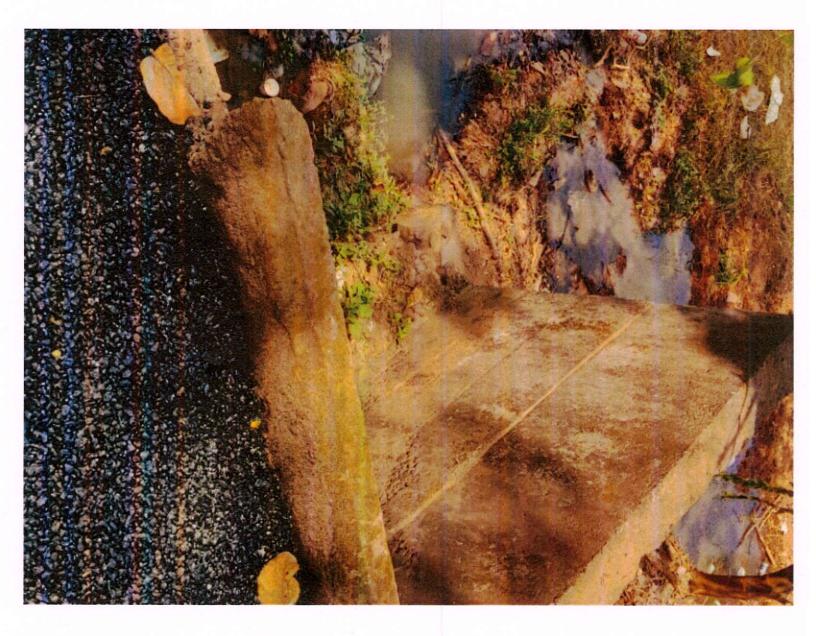
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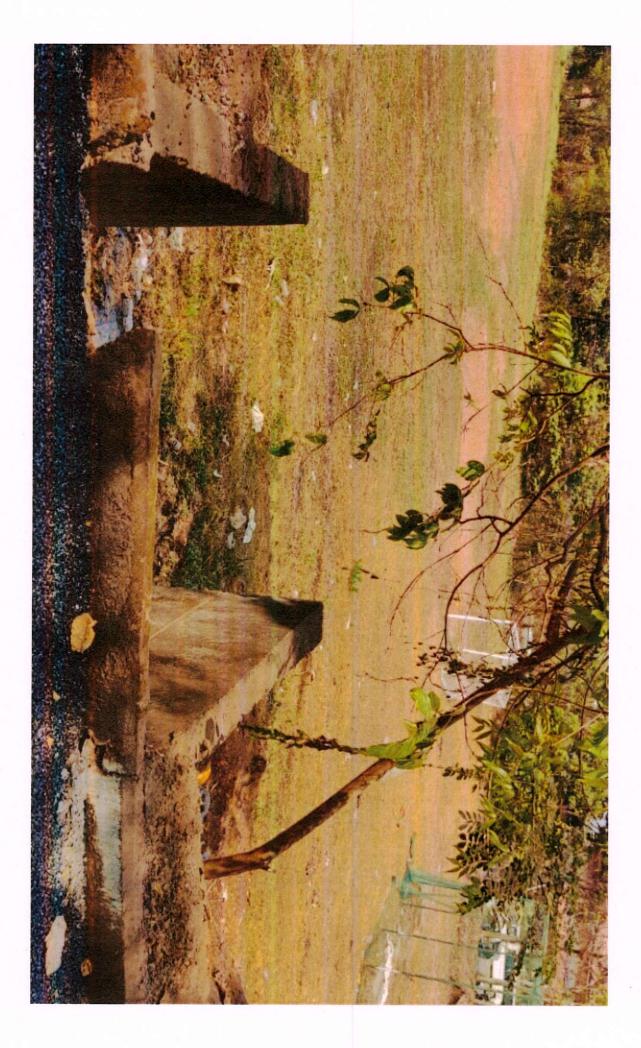
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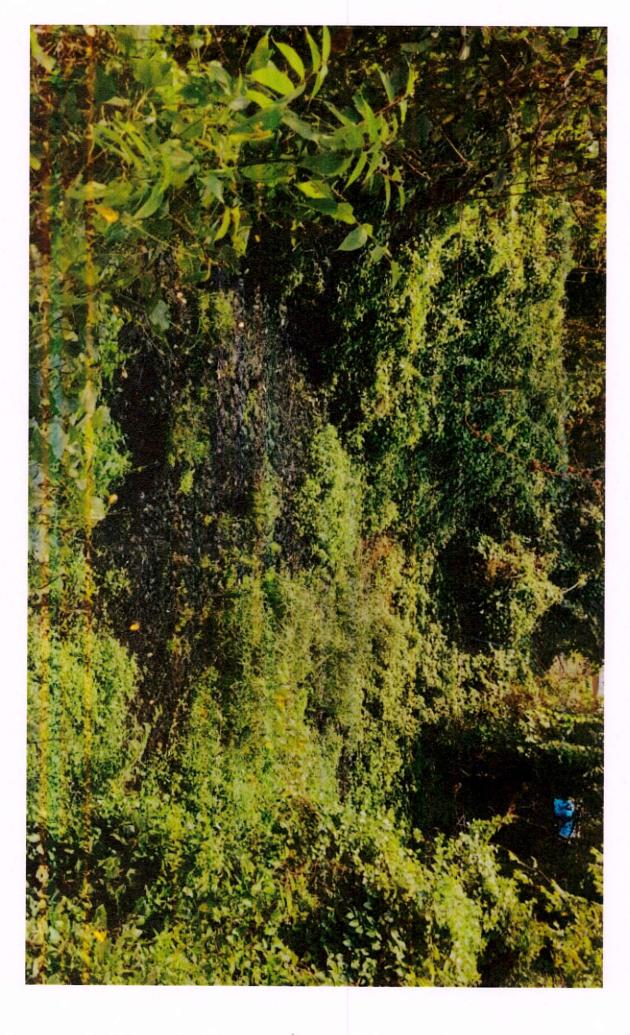


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