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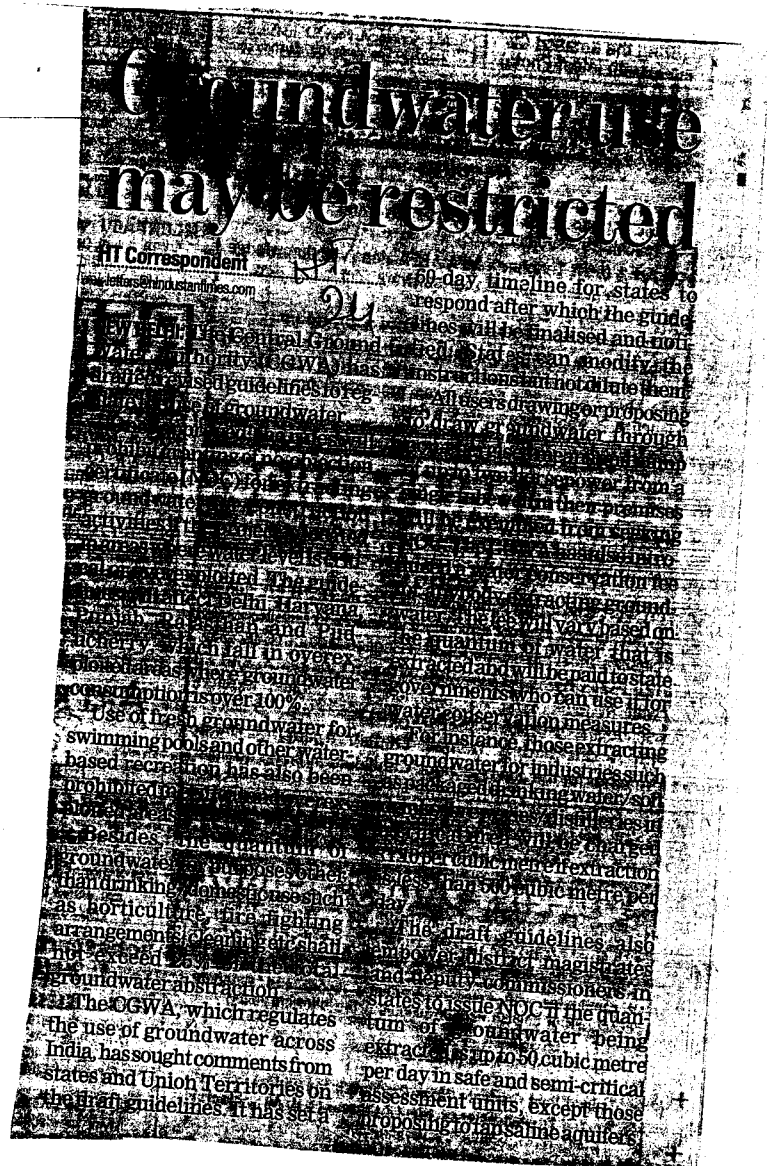
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The Yamuna is getting increasingly polluted. ARVIND YADAV/HT PHOTO

## NGT show cause to govt, DJB over Yamuna cleaning

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**NEW DELHI:** The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has asked the Delhi government and the Delhi Jal Board (DJB) to explain why contempt proceedings should not be initiated against them for the delay in implementing its orders on the Yamuna cleaning project.

In a chamber meeting held on the NGT on Monday, a bench headed by chairperson Justice Swatanter Kumar rapped the authorities. It said the stakeholders, including the city government, just shifted blame and had no reasons to offer in support of their "inaction and non-cooperation" in completing the project.

It asked them to explain why the amount earmarked by the Delhi government and the DJB for Yamuna's rejuvenation should not be attached for violation of the NGT orders.

Phase-I of the clean Yamuna project aims at lowering the pollution levels in the Najafgarh and Delhi Gate drains, while Phase-II deals with the Shahdara, Barapullah and other drains.

The green court said it was a matter of great regret that the judgment of the tribunal on

cleaning and rejuvenation of the Yamuna, passed on January 13, 2015, have not been followed by the stakeholders to date.

During the meeting, which went for over an hour, DJB CEO Keshav Chandra told the tribunal that work on Phase-1 of the project was stopped as the AAP government had initiated probe against him for alleged financial irregularities over the setting up of sewage treatment plants.

The NGT took exception and asked why the DJB CEO did not approach the NGT instead of stopping the work. It directed the DJB to file a detailed reply in 10 days and posted the matter for further hearing on November 6.

Advocate Kushi Sharma, appearing for the Delhi Development Authority (DDA), said they had complied with the NGT orders and were releasing the money as demanded by the DJB.

Sharma said even the NGT had appreciated the steps taken by the DDA for cleaning the Yamuna.

The meeting was attended by the Delhi chief secretary, DDA vice-chairman Uday Pratap Singh, DJB CEO, representative of the project proponent L-G and officials from the National Mission for Clean Ganga.

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Boys wade through a flooded village on the outskirts of Agartala in Tripura on Sunday. REUTERS