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# SC ORDERS GARBAGE TAKEN TO NEW SITE IN KOLONNAWA

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When the fundamental rights violation petition complaining of the accumulation of garbage resulting in deplorable public health hazard in Kotahena dumping site without proper disposal came up before the Supreme Court, Deputy Solicitor General Ms Bimba Tilakaratne submitted a project proponent of converting waste into energy.

Meanwhile the Bench comprising Chief Justice Sarath N. Silva, Justices Shiranee Tilakawardane and K. Sripavan issued an interim order to take immediate steps to take the garbage to a site at Kolonnawa temporarily.

S. A. Parathalingam PC with Ali Sabry and Ms. Amisha Parathalingam appearing for the CMC submitted to Court that garbage collection could not be dumped in Peliyagoda as a result of protest. He submitted that the Director General of Urban Development Authority had allocated a two acre site at Kolonnawa.

Court directed the IGP, Colombo DIG and Police



Authority of Peliyagoda to take appropriate action and interrupters to be produced before the Magistrate Court and the Supreme Court.

Pursuant to the submission made by Deputy Solicitor General that there is a project by BOI and that the CEB agreed to provide the garbage waste to private power generators or subsidiaries by the Sustainable Energy Authority.

To ensure the proponent of the said project, Court directed the DSG to convene a meeting with Russian Expert Mares Saguja with Waste Power System (Pvt) Ltd - Sri Lanka Chairman S. Jaya-

## FACT BOX

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wardane and BOI, CEB and Sustainable Energy Authority, Central Environmental Authority and CMC on April 30 and the matter was listed to be mentioned on July 7.

## FR PETITION

When the fundamental rights violation petition complaining of the accumulation of garbage was taken up on Monday (30), the Supreme Court suggested a proposal to collect the accumulated garbage and deliver them to the alternative sites situated at Mahara and a site belonging to the Sri Lanka Port Authorities.

Bench comprised Chief Justice Sarath N. Silva, Justices Shiranee Tilakawardane and K. Sripavan. Court also directed the Colombo Municipal Council that steps should be taken for recycling the system and plant for the disposal of garbage.

Viran Corea appearing for the petitioners indicated to Court that Rs 1.1 billion had been paid to respondent, Burns Trading (Pvt) Ltd at the rate of Rs 15 million per month out of rate payers' money for the collection and recycling of garbage but it did not do this service. The matter was listed to be taken up on April 27.