

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.1557 of 2020

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Shiv Narayan Sharma, Son of Heman Sharma Resident of Village-
Mehandaura, P.S.- Agiaon, District- Bhojpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Environment and Forest Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Chairman of State Level Committee for Wood-based Industries, Bihar, Patna.
3. The Licensing Officer-cum-Divisional Forest Officer, Bhojpur Forest Officer, Bhojpur Forest Division, Bhojpur (Ara).

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Vinay Mistry
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Chitranjan Sinha (PAAG2)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ASHUTOSH KUMAR
ORAL JUDGMENT

Date : 23-01-2020

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and

the State.

The petitioner seeks a direction to the Respondent
No. 2, who is the Chairman of State Level Committee for
grant of license to Wood-based Industries, Bihar, to
dispose off his petition dated 23.01.2017 for grant of
license under Bihar Saw Mills (Regulation) Act, 1990 in
terms of the order of the Supreme Court in Writ Petition
(Civil) No. 202 of 1995.



It has been submitted on behalf of the petitioner that a detailed application seeking license to run such Saw Mill has been filed by the petitioner but the same has not been adverted to up till now.

This Court has also been informed that several such applications have been filed by the prospective licensees in terms of the direction passed by the Supreme Court in the aforesaid writ petition but for no apparent reason, such applications are not being disposed off. Several orders have been passed in several such writ petitions directing the respondent no. 2, who is the Chairman of the State Level Committee constituted by the State Government to dispose off such writ petitions, but no interest has been shown in implementing such orders.

This Court directs that in the event of a reminder letter being filed by the petitioner before Respondent No. 2 within a period of four weeks, the concerned respondent shall take up the application of the petitioner and shall



dispose it off by a reasoned order, within a further period of twelve weeks thereafter.

With the aforesaid observation / direction, this petition stands disposed off.

Till the disposal of the representation, no coercive action shall be taken against the business which is being run by the petitioner.

(Ashutosh Kumar, J)

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