

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.17610 of 2024

Nikhil Tikmani @ Nikhil Kumar Tikmani Son of Sushil Kumar Tikmani, proprietor of M/s. Sai Nath Industries, Bela Industrial Area, Phase - 01, Plot No. NS- 14, BIADA, Police Station - Bela, District- Muzaffarpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the District Magistrate, Muzaffarpur Distirct-Muzaffarpur.
2. The Magistrate (in-charge)-cum-Collector, Competent Court, at Muzaffarpur.
3. Managing Director, North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited, Bailey Road, Patna.
4. The Electrical Executive Engineer(Rural), Bela Industrial Area, Ram Dayalu, Muzaffarpur.
5. The Electrical Superintending Engineer, Bela Industrial Area, Muzaffarpur.
6. The Assistant Electrical Engineer, Bela Industrial Area, Ramdayalu Nagar, Muzaffarpur.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Ajay Prasad, Adv.
For the State	:	Mr. Sita Ram Yadav, GP-16 Mr. Jitendra Kumar, (AC to GP-16)

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A. ABHISHEK REDDY
ORAL ORDER

2 26-11-2024 Heard the parties.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to implead the Certificate Officer, Muzaffarpur as a party respondent no. 7 in the present writ petition.

3. Having regard to the fact that the petitioner has already submitted the objections under Section 9 of the Bihar & Orissa Public Demand Recovery Act, 1914 (hereinafter referred to as ‘the Act of 1914’), the present writ petition is disposed of at the stage of admission with the consent of both the parties.



4. The Certificate Officer, Muzaffarpur (respondent no. 7) is directed to consider the objections filed by the petitioner under Section 9 of the Act of 1914 and pass a reasoned order under Section 10 of the Act of 1914. The Certificate Officer shall before passing any order, give an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, the entire exercise shall be completed as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of 12 weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Any orders passed shall be communicated to the petitioner.

5. Till such time, the final orders are passed under Section 10 of the Act of 1914, no coercive action shall be taken against the petitioner.

(A. Abhishek Reddy, J.)

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