

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.18180 of 2025

M/S Shambhu Oil and Saw Mill Mohanpur, P.S. Raiyam, District Darbhanga a proprietorship firm through its Proprietor Smt. Meera Devi, aged about 55 years-Female, wife of Sri Ramesh Kumar Sahu, Resident of Village-Mohanpur, P.S.-Raiyam, District-Darbhangha.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Environment and Forest, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Chairman, State Level Committee for Wood-Based Industries, Bihar-cum-Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Bihar, Patna.
3. The Licensing Officer cum Divisional Forest Officer, Mithila Forest Darbhanga.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Vinay Mistry
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Mujtabaul Haque, Government Pleader (12)
Mr. Pranoy Kumar, AC to GP 12

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 24-11-2025 Heard the parties.

2. From perusal of the office notes, it will appear that the defect has been removed after delay.

3. The delay in removal of the defect/s is condoned.

4. The following writ application has been filed on behalf of the petitioner for the following relief:-

(i) For issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the Respondent No.2-State Level Committee for Wood-Based Industries, Bihar to dispose of the representation of the petitioner dated 30.07.2025 (Annexure-P-4) requesting therein to grant approval to the Licensing Officer-Cum-Divisional Forest Officer, Mithila Forest Division, Darbhanga to transfer the licence of shaw mill bearing License No. 1832 dated 22.08.1994 in favour of the petitioner on the basis



of "Sale" in terms of Section-11(1) the Bihar Wood-Based Industries (Establishment & Regulation) Act, 2025.

(ii) For issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent authorities not to interfere with the operation of shaw mill till such time the matter is finally decided by the State Level Committee for Wood Industries, Bihar, Patna in the facts and circumstances of the case.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner shall be satisfied if an order is passed for disposal of annexure IV dated 30.07.2025 which is pending before the respondent no. 02.

6. In view of the above, the respondent no. 2 is directed to dispose of the representation of the petitioner as contained in annexure IV of this writ application within four weeks from the date of communication of a copy of this order by a reasoned order after hearing the petitioner.

7. With the aforesaid direction, this application is disposed of.

(Sandeep Kumar, J)

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