

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.11318 of 2025

M/s Durga Saw Mill Arya Tola, Sabour Road, Hawaii Adda, Bhagalpur, P.S.- Bhagalpur, District-Bhagalpur a proprietorship firm through its Proprietor Arjun Sharma, aged about 68 years, Male, son of Late Sheo Charan Sharma, Resident of Mohalla-Rani Talab Sabour, P.S.-Bhagalpur, District-Bhagalpur (Bihar).

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, 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, Bhagalpur Forest Division, Bhagalpur.
4. Binod Sharma Son of Late Sudin Sharma, Resident of Village - Rani Talab, Fatehpur, P.O. - Fatehpur, P.S. and Distt. - Bhagalpur - 813210.
5. Pramod Shama Son of Late Sudin Sharma, Resident of Village - Rani Talab, Fatehpur, P.O. - Fatehpur, P.S. and Distt. - Bhagalpur - 813210.
6. Shekhar Sharma Son of Late Sudin Sharma, Resident of Village - Rani Talab, Fatehpur, P.O. - Fatehpur, P.S. and Distt. - Bhagalpur - 813210.
7. Ashok Sharma Son of late Sudin Sharma, Resident of Village - Rani Talab, Fatehpur, P.O. - Fatehpur, P.S. and Distt. - Bhagalpur - 813210.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Vinay Mistry, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr.Addl. Advocate General (05)

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

6 12-01-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner has moved the Court for the following reliefs:

“1) For issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the Respondent No.3 to renew the license bearing License No. 11 of 1986 on the basis of renewal application dated 25.11.2021 (Annexure-P-4) for the period 2022-26 in terms of



decision of the State Level Committee of Wood Based Industries, Bihar dated 14.01.2025 as the aforesaid renewal application is pending for consideration before the Licensing Officer- Respondent No.3.

ii) For issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents authorities not to interfere with the operation of saw mill till such time the renewal application dated 25.11.2021 is decided by the Licensing Officer in circumstances of this case.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he shall be satisfied if a fresh consideration of the petitioner's case is done in view of the decision of the State Level Committee for Wood Based Industries, Bihar dated 14.01.2025 (Annexure-P-5).

4. If the petitioner approaches the authorities as per the guidelines, the authorities will consider the case of the petitioner in accordance with law and pass appropriate orders thereafter.

5. The earlier cancellation of the license will not come in the way of fresh consideration of the case of the petitioner by the State Level Committee.

6. In view of the above, this application stands disposed of.

(Sandeep Kumar, J)

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