



IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU DATED THIS THE 20TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE AND

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C M JOSHI WRIT PETITION NO. 25283 OF 2025 (GM-POL)

BETWEEN:

1. D.P. AGRO INDUSTRIES
A SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP
NO. 407, 1ST STAGE
SOMAPURA INDUSTRIAL AREA
NELAMANGALA TALUK
BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT
BENGALURU - 562 123.
REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR
MR. GAURAV BHASIN.

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI MAHESH A.S., ADVOCATE)

AND:



- KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD PARISARA BHAVAN, NO. 49 CHURCH STREET BENGALURU - 560 001 REPRESENTED BY ITS SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER.
- 2. BENGALURU ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY K.R. CIRCLE BENGALURU 560 001 REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR.



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- 3. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER AND ASST. EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (ELEC) BESCOM NELAMANGALA BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT 562 123.
- 4. THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
 BENGALURU RURAL
 BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT
 DISTRICT OFFICE COMPLEX
 BENGALURU 560 001.

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SRI A. MAHESH CHOWDHARY, ADVOCATE FOR R-1 & SMT. NILOUFER AKBAR, AGA FOR R-4)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLE 226 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO ISSUE A WRIT IN THE NATURE OF MANDAMUS AND DIRECT THE 1ST RESPONDENT TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION BEARING PCB ID No.278194, INWARD: 326524 DATED 03.07.2025 (ANNEXURE-C) IN AN EXPEDITIOUS MANNER & ETC.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU ,CHIEF JUSTICE and HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE C M JOSHI

ORAL ORDER

(PER: HON'BLE MR. VIBHU BAKHRU, CHIEF JUSTICE)

1. The petitioner has filed the present petition, *inter alia* praying as under:

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- "a) Issue a Writ in the nature of mandamus and direct the 1st respondent to consider the application bearing PCB ID No.278194, Inward: 326524 dated 03/07/2025 (Annexure-C) in an expeditious manner.
- b) Pass any such other order/s that this Hon'ble Court deems fit."
- The petitioner claims that he has been carrying on the 2. business of packing rice at his factory located in Somapura Industrial Area, Nelamangala. The said unit was inspected on 11.03.2025 and the inspecting team found a machine for milling atta. Concededly, the activity of running an atta mill could not have been carried out, without the requisite licence. However, it is the petitioner's case that although the machine was lying at the unit but was not being used. The petitioner also states that he has since dismantled the said atta mill and has sold the same. Notwithstanding the same, the petitioner has also filed an application for a license for operation. In the aforesaid backdrop, application the petitioner prays that the be considered expeditiously.
- 3. The learned counsel for the petitioner has also expressed urgency on the ground that it has received notice for disconnection

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of electricity. He submits that if the electricity is disconnected, the

perishable goods lying at the unit will get destroyed.

4. Under the given circumstances, we consider it apposite to

allow the present petition to the extent of directing the respondent

No.1 to consider the petitioner's application as expeditiously as

possible. We also grant liberty to the petitioner to approach

respondent No. 2 for not disconnecting the electricity connection for

a period of one month. We request the respondent No.1 to

consider the petitioner's application within the said period.

5. The petition is disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

Sd/-(VIBHU BAKHRU) CHIEF JUSTICE

> Sd/-(C M JOSHI) JUDGE

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