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**THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT**  
**(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)**

**Case No. : WP(C)/2963/2026**

MAHANTA BRICK INDUSTRY  
REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR KAMAL CHANDRA MAHANTA, AGE  
-62 YEAR, S/O - LATE BASISTHA CHANDRA MAHANTA, R/O - WARD NO.  
10,, DHEKIAJULI, DIST- SONITPUR,ASSAM, PIN -784110.

VERSUS

THE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD ASSAM  
REPRESENTED BY THE CHAIRMAN, BAMUNIMAIDAM, GUWAHATI -21.

2:THE MEMBER SECRETARY  
POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD  
BAMUNIMAIDAM  
GUWAHATI -21.

3:DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
SONITPUR  
TEZPUR  
DISTRICT -SONITPUR  
ASSAM  
PIN-78400

**Advocate for the Petitioner** : MS. P SAHARIA, C SARMA,MR. P MAHANTA

**Advocate for the Respondent** : SC, PCB, GA, ASSAM

**BEFORE**  
**HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KARDAK ETE**

**ORDER**

Date : **08.06.2026**

Heard Mr. P. Mahanta, learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. The petitioner, by filing this petition prays for a direction to the respondent authorities to extend the time for conversion of his brick industry's existing technology to zig-zag technology as directed by the Pollution Control Board, Assam vide Public Notice dated 19.03.2025 for a period of one year, i.e., 31.03.2027.

3. It is the contention of the petitioner that as per the Public Notice, the time limit for brick kiln to complete conversion of the existing technology to zig-zag technology or vertical shaft or use piped natural gas as fuel is up to 30.06.2026. However, due to certain issues, the petitioner is not in a position to complete the same within the stipulated time given by the respondent authorities, therefore, seeks extension of the time for one year.

Issue notice, returnable by 2 (two) weeks.

4. Since Mr. S. Baruah, learned Standing Counsel, Pollution Control Board, Assam appears and accepted notice on behalf of respondent No.1 & 2 and Mr. J. Handique, learned State counsel has appeared for the respondents No. 3, no formal notice is required to be issued to the said respondents.

5. However, requisite extra copies of the writ petition be furnished to the learned counsel for the respondents within 3 (three) days from today.

List after 2 (two) weeks.

**JUDGE**

**Comparing Assistant**