

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

**WP(C) No. 780/2026
CM No. 1768/2026**

M/S Shrine Hot Mix Plant

.....Appellant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Ajay Abrol, Adv.

UT of J&K & Ors.

..... Respondent(s)

Through: Mr. Dewakar Sharma, Dy. A.G

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M A CHOWDHARY, JUDGE

ORDER
(01.04.2026)

1. The petitioner has challenged Circular No. JKPCC/PS/MS/2024/2678-84 dated 06.02.2024 issued by respondent No. 3, whereby all Divisional Officers of J&K Pollution Control Committee had been directed to ensure that on expiry off consent to operate, the units existing prior to the commencement of the Jammu and Kashmir Minor Mineral Exploitation and Processing Rules, 2017, shall have to obtain no objection certificate (NOC) from Deputy Commissioner concerned regarding title verification of land and its usage as one time requirement before the case is submitted for renewal of consent to operate.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the aforesaid Circular is subject matter of challenge in a number of other similar writ petitions which are pending before this Court in which interim relief has been granted in favour of the petitioners therein and that on the grounds of parity, the petitioner seeks similar interim relief in the present writ petition. He has produced copy of the order dated 02.03.2026 passed by this Court in

WP(C) No. 494/2026, titled *M/S Om Stone Crusher Vs. UT of J&K & Ors.*

3. Heard.

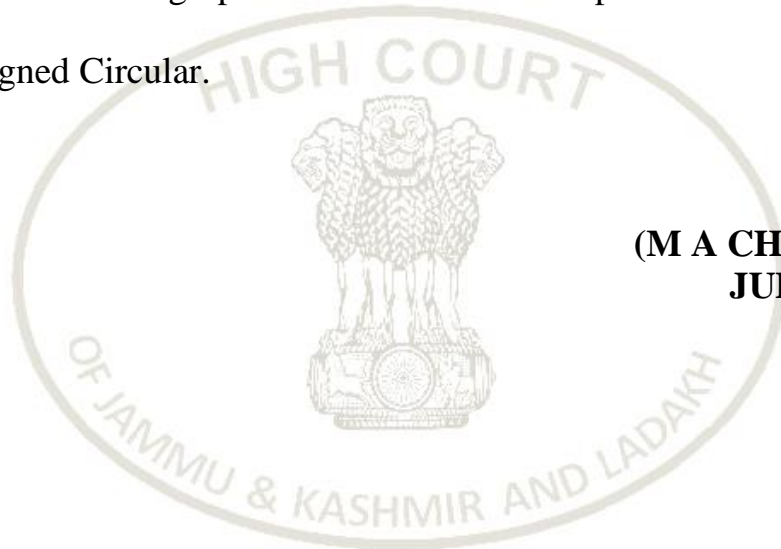
4. Issue notice.

5. Mr. Dewakar Sharma, learned Dy. A.G waives notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 2 & 5.

6. List on **13.05.2026**.

7. Meanwhile, till next date of hearing, respondent No. 3 is directed to consider case of the petitioner for issuance of NOC/Consent to operate his unit without insisting upon fresh verification report/certificate, in terms of the impugned Circular.

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JUDGE