

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

**WP(C) No. 799/2026**

**M/S Armaan Stone Crusher**

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

Through: Mr. Ajay Abrol, Advocate

**vs**

**UT of J&K & Ors.**

..... Respondent(s)

Through:

**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 of consent to operate the units of stone crushers/ hot mix plants prior to the commencement of Jammu & 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.

02. 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.*

03. Heard.

04. Issue notice to respondents, returnable within a period of four weeks, subject to filing of requisites within one week.

05. List **13.05.2026**.

06. 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.

**(M A CHOWDHARY)**  
**JUDGE**

**Jammu**  
01.04.2026  
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