

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
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WRIT PETITION(S)(CIVIL) NO(S). 13381/1984

M.C. MEHTA

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

[TO BE TAKEN UP AT 3.00 P.M.]

(1) IA NO. 376/2003 AND 389/2001 (APPLNS. FOR DIRECTIONS FILED BY AMICUS CURIAE) (2) IA NOS. 387/2000 (APPLN. FOR DIRECTIONS FILED BY AMICUS CURIAE) (3) IA NOS. 478 AND 479/2008 (APPLNS. FOR DIRECTIONS FILED BY PETITIONER-IN-PERSON) "ONLY" IN W.P. (C) NO. 13381/1984 ARE LISTED. "ONLY" NAMES OF THE FOLLOWING ADVOCATES MAY BE TREATED TO HAVE BEEN SHOWN IN THE LIST. PETITIONER-IN-PERSON MR. A.D.N. RAO, SR. ADVOCATE (A.C.) MR. LIZ MATHEW, SR. ADV. (A.C.) MR. SIDDHARTHA CHOWDHURY, ADV. (A.C.) MS. AAKASHI LODHA, AOR MS. KESHVI ARYA, Adv. MR. AMRISH KUMAR, MR. M.K. MARORIA, MR. G.S. MAKKER, MR. VIJAY PANJWANI, MR. ANKIT GOEL, MR. KAMLENDRA MISHRA

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

IA No.55641/2025 (PERMISSION TO FILE APPLICATION FOR DIRECTION)

1. We direct the Central Empowered Committee (CEC) to file a report dealing with the prayers made in this Application within a period of four weeks from today.

2. List the Application immediately after the report is received from the CEC.

IA No.376/2003 (FOR DIRECTIONS)

3. A status report has been filed by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) which records that all the prayers have been taken care of. We request the CEC to look into the aspect of the compliance and in case it is found that something more needs to be done in relation to the prayers in this Application, the CEC is free to submit a report to this Court.

4. As regards prayer clause (f), a reply dated 21st March, 2025 has been filed on behalf of the State of Uttar Pradesh. The State has set out the steps taken for shifting of the *petha* manufacturing units from the heart of the city of Agra. Certain plots have been carved out for shifting these industries. The State must continue the efforts and ensure that all the *petha* manufacturing units in the heart of the city of Agra are shifted. We grant time of three months to the State to file a further affidavit in this behalf. The further affidavit may indicate the outer limit within which the task of shifting of the *petha* manufacturing units shall be completed by the State.

5. List the Application immediately after the affidavit is filed by the State of Uttar Pradesh.

IA NOS. 387/2000 AND 389/2001 (APPLNS. FOR DIRECTIONS FILED BY AMICUS CURIAE) AND IA NOS. 478 AND 479/2008 (APPLNS. FOR DIRECTIONS FILED BY PETITIONER-IN-PERSON)

6. We direct the CEC to examine the compliances made in connection with the prayers in these Applications and submit a report to this Court within a period of six weeks from today. If the CEC has further suggestions on the issue of greening, the CEC is free to submit its suggestions while submitting the report.

7. List the Applications immediately after the Report is received from the CEC.

IA NO.116768/2018 (PERMISSION TO FILE APPLICATION FOR DIRECTION)

8. Perused the last order dated 25th March, 2025.

9. We direct the NEERI to nominate one of its scientists to be a part of the Industrial Area Technical Evaluation Committee (IATEC). The issue regarding implementation of the Sectoral Guidelines framed by the NEERI concerning the glass industries will be considered on 22nd April, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. If the CEC wants to give any suggestions regarding implementation of the Sectoral Guidelines, it is free to do so.

10. We direct that as and when suggestions are required from the ASI regarding implementation of the Sectoral Guidelines for glass industries, the IATEC can request the officers of the ASI to attend the meeting.

IA NOS.79619 (FOR INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT), 79618 (FOR MODIFICATION OF COURT ORDER) AND 79620 OF 2025 (FOR DISPENSING WITH AUTHENTIC TRANSLATION) IN IA NOS.262456 AND 262458/2024

11. Shri Dama Seshadri Naidu, learned senior counsel appearing for the applicant (Gul Mathur) states that an order may be passed in terms of the recommendations in Report No.2/2025 submitted by the CEC and, therefore, he seeks permission to withdraw these Applications.

12. We issue directions in terms of clauses (a) and (b) of paragraph 5 of the Report No.2/2025 dated 23rd January, 2025. The applicant (Gul Mathur) shall make compliance in terms of the recommendations in the said Report and file a compliance affidavit within a period of six weeks from today. List the main IAs being IA Nos.262456/2024 and 262458/2024 immediately after the compliance affidavit is filed.

13. IA Nos.79619, 79618 and 79620 of 2025 are, accordingly, disposed of as withdrawn.

14. Needless to add that the recommendations in Report No.2/2025 are in addition to the recommendations in Report No.33/2024 which have already been accepted by this Court.

REPORT NO.3/2025

15. Issue notice to M/s. Ganapati Infrastructure Development Company Limited, M/s. Ganapati Leasing Infrastructure Private Limited, and the Rail Land Development Authority. The notice is made returnable on 1st

May, 2025 at 12:00 noon. The noticees will be heard on that date.

16. A copy of this Report shall accompany the notice.

(ASHISH KONDLE)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(AVGV RAMU)
COURT MASTER (NSH)