

Chief Justice's Court

Case :- PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 427 of 2023

Petitioner :- Naresh Dixit

Respondent :- State Of U.P. Thru. Addl. Chief Secy. Vigilance Govt. Of U.P. Lko. And Others

Counsel for Petitioner :- Prabhat Kumar Upadhyay, Rama Shankar Mishra

Counsel for Respondent :- C.S.C.

Hon'ble Pritinker Diwaker, Chief Justice

Hon'ble Rajan Roy, J.

Sri R.S. Mishra, learned counsel for the petitioner and Sri V.P. Nag, learned Standing Counsel for the State and its authorities.

In this public interest litigation petition, the petitioner, while targeting respondent no.5, has stated that the said respondent has earned disproportionate property by illegal means.

After receiving the request of the petitioner, certain correspondences have been made by the Deputy Secretary, State of Uttar Pradesh.

From the pleadings, it appears that the petitioner is a national president-cum-publisher and editor of Rashtriya Patrakar Association. Letter-head in the said capacity has also been used by the petitioner while making correspondences.

If petitioner has any grievance, he can approach the Lokayukta or other competent authorities of the State Government. If activities of the petitioner are found to be illegal one, action can also be taken against him.

The petition is frivolous, cannot be termed as public interest litigation and the same is, accordingly **dismissed**, leaving it open to the petitioner to file appropriate proceedings or to pursue the government authorities, and likewise liberty is also granted to the State authorities to inquire about the activities of the petitioner.

Order Date :- 17.5.2023

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(Rajan Roy, J) (Pritinker Diwaker, CJ)