

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

**WP(C) No. 1838/2023(O&M) &
clubbed matters**

Mohd. Yaqoob

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

Through: Mr. Irfaan Khan, Adv.

vs

Union Territory of J&K and others

..... Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG
Ms. Anandita Thakur, Adv.

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNESH OSWAL, JUDGE

ORDER
08.08.2025

1. The petitioner has impugned order dated 25.04.2023, whereby the private respondent No. 4 has been nominated for appointment as Lambardar of Village Ganote, Tehsil and District Ramban, on the ground that the same is in violation of J&K Lambardari Act, 1972 and the Rules made thereunder. Response has been filed by the respondents.
2. The petitioner has crossed the age of 60 years as such, no direction can be issued to allow the petitioner to perform his duties as Lambardar for the aforesaid village.
3. It is submitted by Mr. Irfaan Khan, learned counsel for the petitioner that the present petition may be disposed of by directing the official respondents to conduct elections of Lambardar in the aforesaid village at an earliest as

possible. Ms. Kohli is not averse to the submissions made by Mr. Irfaan Khan.

4. Be that as it may, as the respondent No. 4 has been appointed as Lambardar for a fixed period, accordingly, the present petition is **disposed of** by directing the official respondents to hold elections for the post of Lambardar of Village Ganote, Tehsil and District Ramban within a period of three months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
5. Interim direction, if any, shall stand vacated.

WP(C) No. 718/2023(O&M)

Kamal Nain Sharma

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

Through: Mr. Pawan Kumar Hans, Adv.

vs

Union Territory of J&K and others

..... Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG

1. The petitioner has impugned order dated 29.01.2023, whereby the private respondent No. 5 has been nominated for appointment as Lambardar of Village Bhajwal, Tehsil Sunderbani, District Ramban, on the ground that the same is in violation of J&K Lambardari Act, 1972 and the Rules made thereunder. Further the prayer has been made to allow the petitioner to perform his duties as Lambardar for the aforesaid village.
2. The official respondents have filed the response.

3. The petitioner has crossed the age of 60 years as such, no direction can be issued to allow the petitioner to perform his duties as Lambardar for the aforesaid village.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition may be disposed of by directing the official respondents to conduct elections of Lambardar in the aforesaid village at an earliest as possible. Ms. Kohli is not averse to the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner.
5. Be that as it may, as the respondent No. 5 has been appointed as Lambardar for a fixed period, accordingly, the present petition is **disposed of** by directing the official respondents to hold elections for the post of Lambardar of Village Bhajwal, Tehsil Sunderbani, District Ramban within a period of three months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
6. Interim direction, if any, shall stand vacated.

WP(C) No. 252/2023(O&M)

Balbir Singh

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

Through: Mr. N . D. Qazi, Adv.

vs

Union Territory of J&K and others

..... Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG

1. The petitioner has impugned order dated 29.01.2023, whereby the private respondent No. 5 has been nominated for appointment as Lambardar of Village Harichumma, Tehsil Teryath, District Ramban, on the ground that the same is in violation of J&K Lambardari Act, 1972 and the Rules made

thereunder. Further the prayer has been made to allow the petitioner to perform his duties as Lambardar for the aforesaid village.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition may be disposed of by directing the official respondents to conduct elections of Lambardar in the aforesaid village at an earliest as possible. Ms. Kohli is not averse to the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner.
3. Be that as it may, as the respondent No. 5 has been appointed as Lambardar for a fixed period, accordingly, the present petition is **disposed of** by directing the official respondents to hold elections for the post of Lambardar of Village Harichumma, Tehsil Teryath, District Rajouri within a period of three months from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
4. Till then order dated 13.02.2023, whereby the operation of impugned order was stayed, shall remain in operation.

(Rajnish Oswal)
Judge

JAMMU
08.08.2025
Rakesh PS

Whether the order is speaking:	Yes/No
Whether the order is reportable:	Yes/No