IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
Contempt Case (Civil) No. 437 of 2026

Dr. Zahiruddin Ahmad Rafiqui, S/o Late Abdul Gafur, R/o Shivanandpur via Barsoi, PO & PS-Shivanandpur, District-Katihar (Bihar) ... … Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Sri Sudhir Bara, the Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Higher and Technical Education Department, Nepal House, Ranchi
3. Mr. Kunul Kandir, the Vice Chancellor, Sido-Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka
4. Mr. Rajiv Ranjan Sharma, the Registrar, Sido-Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka ... … Opposite Parties

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner : Md. Jalisur Rahman, Advocate
For the Opposite Party Nos.3&4 : Mr. Vishal Kumar Rai, Advocate

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05/17.07.2026 The present contempt petition has been filed for initiating a contempt proceeding against the contemnors/opposite parties alleging wilful violation of the order dated 13.03.2024 passed in W.P.(S) No. 2871 of 2020.

2. A show cause affidavit has been filed on behalf of the opposite party nos. 3 and 4 on 15.07.2026.

3. Mr. Vishal Kumar Rai, learned counsel for the said opposite parties, refers to paragraph-6 of the said show cause affidavit, which reads as under:

> **"6. That it is most humbly submitted that, pursuant to the aforesaid reasoned order, the pay of the petitioner was duly re-fixed by Opposite Party No. 2. Consequent thereto, arrears towards leave encashment amounting to Rs. 59,137/- were paid to the petitioner on an earlier occasion. Thereafter, vide Cheque No. 325356 dated 13.07.2026, arrears of pension along with the differential amount of gratuity, aggregating to Rs. 10,08,921/- were also paid to the petitioner. It is further submitted that the arrears of salary have also been paid to the petitioner by the concerned College. It is further submitted that the**

petitioner's pension has been revised and the revised pension is being regularly paid to the petitioner."

4. It is thus submitted that the aforesaid order of this Court has now been complied.

5. Md. Jalisur Rahman, learned counsel for the petitioner, refers to the communication dated 13.07.2026 (part of Annexure-B series to the show cause affidavit) addressed by the Registrar, Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka to the Branch Manager, Indian Bank, SKMU Branch, Dumka and submits that as per the communication, the petitioner has been paid arrears of pension from February 2002 to March 2021 only.

6. Mr. Vishal Kumar Rai, on instructions, clarifies the said aspect and submits that since after March 2021, the petitioner has been getting the consolidated pension as per the 7th PRC, there is no arrear of pension in the subsequent period. In fact, the due arrear of pension from February 2002 to March 2021 has been paid to the petitioner and the said fact has been communicated to the Bank by the Registrar, SKM University vide letter dated 13.07.2026.

7. Considering the aforesaid fact, there is no need to further proceed in the contempt petition. The contempt proceeding as against the opposite parties is hereby dropped.

8. The contempt petition is accordingly disposed of.

9. The petitioner is, however, at liberty to take appropriate recourse as permissible under law for redressal of his subsisting grievance, if any.

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

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