

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**

**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.8372 of 2016**

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Rajo Manjhi, son of Late Munshi Manjhi, R/o Village- Etoin, P.S.-Chanan, Dist-  
Lakhisarai.

.... .... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar.
2. The Secretary, Rural Development Department, Bihar, Patna.
3. The Principal Secretary, the Revenue and land Reformation Department Bihar,  
Patna.
4. The Commissioner, Munger Division, Munger.
5. The Collector, Lakhisarai.
6. The Deputy Development Commissioner, Lakhisarai.
7. The Circle Officer, Chanan Anchal, at Etoin, P.S.- Chanan, Dist- Lakhisarai.
8. The Block Development Officer, Chanan at Etoin, P.S.- Chanan, Dist-  
Lakhisarai.

.... .... Respondent/s

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**Appearance :**

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| For the Petitioner  | : | Mr. Birendra Kr. Sinha, Sr. Advocate<br>Mr. Umesh Prasad, Advocate |
| For the Respondents | : | Mr. Ajay, GA-5<br>Mr. Ashish Kumar Lal, AC to GA-5                 |

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE**

**and**

**HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR SINGH**

**ORAL JUDGMENT**

**(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)**

**Date: 09-05-2017**

Grievance made by the petitioner in the Public Interest

Litigation is with regard to shifting of the offices in question, records indicate that the residents of the village in question have already made a detailed representation to the District Magistrate, Lakhisarai as is evident from the averments made in the supplementary affidavit filed by the petitioner and earlier also under similar circumstances in another case being C.W.J.C. No.6309 of 1993 on 10.08.1994, the competent authority was directed to look into the grievance of the citizens and take a decision after application of mind and pass an



speaking order.

Taking note of the aforesaid, for the present, interest of justice would be met, in case Respondent No.5, District Collector/District Magistrate, Lakhisarai is directed to take note of the grievance of the citizens of the village and take a decision with regard to the shifting or establishment or the office in question preferably within a period of two months from the date of receipt of the certified copy of the order.

Needless to emphasize that if anyone is aggrieved by the action taken, liberty shall be available to the aggrieved persons to ventilate their grievance afresh in accordance to law.

This Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the claim and it is for the District Magistrate, Lakhisarai to take action after evaluating the legal solution, rules and regulations and the policy of the Government.

With the aforesaid, the application stands disposed of.

**(Rajendra Menon, CJ)**

Narendra/-

**(Sudhir Singh, J)**

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