

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

**Miscellaneous Jurisdiction Case No.2254 of 2000**

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Shambhu Nath Jha, son of Hari Shankar Jha dead, resident of Village Gorapur  
(Marachi), P.S. Mansoor Chak, District- Begusarai

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar
2. Smt. Harjot Kaur, District Collector, Begusarai, P.S. Begusarai, District-  
Begusarai
3. Sri Upendra Sharma, Additional Collector (Ceiling) Begusarai, P.S.  
Begusarai, District- Begusarai
3. Sri Durgesh Nandan, D.C.L.R. Teghra, P.S. Teghra, District- Begusarai.
5. Sri Gagan, Circle Officer, Bachhwara, P.S. Teghra, District- Begusarai
6. Smt. Mahalaxmi Devi, wife of Krishna Deo Jha, resident of Village  
Barmotra, P.S. Pandaul, District- Madhubani
7. Uma Shankar Jha,
8. Rama Shankar Jha, sons of Hari Shankar Jha, both resident of Village  
Gorapur (Maranchi) P.S. Mansoor Chak, District- Begusarai
9. Smt. Kamini Devi, wife of Punya Nand Jha, resident of Village Brahmpura,  
P.S. Manigachi, Dist Darbhanga
10. Devendra Singh, son of Surya Narain Singh, resident of Village Naipur  
Bahrampur, P.S. Bachhwara, Dist. Begusarai

... .. Respondent/s

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with

**Miscellaneous Jurisdiction Case No. 2161 of 2006**

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Shambhu Nath Jha, son of Hari Shankar Jha, resident of Village- Gorapur  
(Maranchi), Mansoorchak, District- Begusarai

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus



1. The State of Bihar
2. Smt. Mahalaxmi Devi, wife of Krishnadeo Jha, resident of Village-Barmotra, P.S. Pandaul, District- Madhubani

... .. Respondent/s

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajendra Narain, Sr. Advocate  
Ms. Anju Kumari, Advocate  
Mr. Anant Kumar Sinha, Advocate  
Mr. Umesh Kumar Roy, Advocate  
Mr. Alok Ranjan, Advocate

For the Respondent/s :

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
and  
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR UPADHYAY  
ORAL ORDER**

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

7     28-11-2017                      *Inter alia* contending that an interlocutory order of *status quo* passed by a Bench of this Court in a pending writ petition C.W.J.C. No. 3025 of 1993 has been violated, these contempt applications have been filed.

The applications are pending since 2000/2006 and till date even cognizance of the issue has not been taken. In M.J.C. No. 2161 of 2006 the respondents have also filed show-cause refuting the aforesaid contention pointing out that no contempt has been committed.

Considering the fact that the contempt is of an interlocutory order of *status quo* and the main writ petition is



still pending consideration before the appropriate Single Bench, we are not inclined to proceed with the contempt now at this stage after more than 17 years. In case the petitioners have any grievance with regard to the interim order passed, they are granted liberty to file an interlocutory application in the pending writ petition and seek further direction in the pending writ petition.

With the aforesaid, finding no case made out for initiating action for contempt, the applications stand disposed of.

**(Rajendra Menon, CJ)**

**(Anil Kumar Upadhyay, J)**

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