

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Letters Patent Appeal No.1005 of 2017

In
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.17550 of 2015

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1. The Branch Manager, State Bank of India (00172) Saharsa, P.O. + District - Saharsa.
 2. The Chief Manager Centralized Pension Processing Centre, State Bank of India, Administrative Building Judges Court Road, Patna.

... .. Appellant/s

Versus

1. Bindeshwari Ram son of Late Jageshwar Ram resident of village + P.O. + P.S. - Mahishi, District - Saharsa.
2. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Director, Department of Primary Education, Government of Bihar, Patna.
4. The Regional Deputy Director of Education, Koshi Division, Saharsa.
5. The District Education Officer, Saharsa.
6. The District Program Officer (Establishment), Saharsa.
7. The Block Education Officer, Mahishi, Saharsa.
8. The Headmaster cum Drawing and Disbursing Officer, Ugra Tara Madhya Vidyalaya, Mahishi, District - Saharsa.
9. The District Treasury Officer, Saharsa.
10. The District Provident Fund Officer, Saharsa
11. The Accountant General (A & E), Bihar Mahalekhakar Bhawan, Birchand Patel Marg, Patna.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Appellant/s : Mr. Rakesh Kumar Singh
For the Respondent/s : Mr.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY KUMAR TRIPATHI
and
HONOURABLE JUSTICE SMT. NILU AGRAWAL
ORAL JUDGMENT
(Per: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY KUMAR TRIPATHI)

Date : 30-04-2018

Heard counsel for the appellants, the State Bank of India
as well as private respondent.

There has been negligence on the part of the State Bank
of India as well which led to distress of the private respondent



when his pension was absolutely stopped by the branch and despite several representations and visits to the branch, the Branch Manager of the Bank did not bother to clarify the position to the private respondent.

These facts were the reason why the Writ Court was compelled to award cost of Rs. 25,000/- upon the State Bank of India. The Court, therefore, does not want to interfere with the order as such, but the cost of Rs. 25,000/- is reduced to 10,000/- with a warning that in future if the State Bank of India treats a pensioner in such a fashion, the cost factor may be multiplied many times.

Appeal stands disposed off.

(Ajay Kumar Tripathi, J)

(Nilu Agrawal, J)

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