

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.17236 of 2017

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Saurabh Kumar Joseph, Son of Late Bimal Kumar Joseph, Resident of
Mohalla- Sadar Hospital Line Bazaar, Post+ P.S.+ District- Purnea.

.... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar, represented through the Chief Secretary,
Government of Bihar, New Secretariat, Patna- 800 001.
2. The District Magistrate, Purnea.
3. Superintendent of Police, Purnea.
4. Secretary, Ancient Monuments and Archeological Department, Vikash
Bhawan, Patna.
5. The Archaeological Officer, Government of Bihar, Patna.
6. The Circle Officer, Block Purnea, District- Purnea.
7. Priest, Emmanuel Church, Girija Church, Purnea.

.... Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Samir Kumar, Advocate

For the Respondent/s : Mr. Sarvesh Kumar Singh - Aag-13

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

and

HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR

UPADHYAY

ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

2 26-02-2018 Inter alia contending that with regard to a Church,

namely, Emmunel Church, situated in Sadar Bazar, Purnea, Bihar,

the provisions of the Bihar Ancient Monuments and

Archaeological Sites Remains and Art Treasures Act, 1976 and

the Indian Church Act, 1927 are not being implemented and action

is not being taken for preserving heritage Church, representation

submitted to respondent nos.4 and 5 having been ignored, this writ

petition has been filed in Public Interest Litigation for preserving

the Heritage monuments as indicated hereinabove.



Keeping in view the grievance of the petitioner, for the present without entering into the controversy, the respondent no.5 is directed to take note of the grievance of the petitioner, evaluate it in the backdrop of the statutory provisions indicated hereinabove and take a decision preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt/production of a certified copy of this order.

With the aforesaid, the writ application stands disposed of.

(Rajendra Menon, CJ)

(Anil Kumar Upadhyay, J)

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