

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Criminal Writ Jurisdiction Case No.1291 of 2017

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-534 Year-2016 Thana- BETTIAH CITY District- West
Champaran

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Ravi Ram Son of Shri Mantu Ram, R/o Chakiya Dih, P.S.- Chakiya, District-
East Champaran, at present R/o Jagjivan Nagar, Ward No. 27, P.S.- Bettiah,
District- West Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State Of Bihar Through Director General Of Police, Patna
2. The Deputy Director General of Police, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Superintendent of Police West Champaran.
4. The Sub-Divisional Police Officer, Sadar, West Champaran.
5. The IO of Bettiah Town P.S. Case No.534/2016.
6. Bitu Kumar Son of Dipak Raut, R/o Jagjeewan Nagar Ward No.17, P.S.
Bettiah Town, District- Bettiah.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Chandra Kant, Adv.
For the Respondent/s : Mr. P.N. Sharma, AC to AG

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DINESH KUMAR SINGH
ORAL JUDGMENT
(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

Date : 14-11-2019

It is unfortunate that the corpus of the missing
son of the writ petitioner, namely Anshu Kumar, could not be
found despite constant monitoring of the matter by this Court
and the investigation/search carried out by the police pursuant
to several directions issued by this Court. Initially, there was a



delay of approximately 7 days in reporting the matter of the missing person, namely Anshu Kumar, aged 8 years, who was residing at his 'Nanihal' in a village falling within the jurisdiction of Bettiah Town Police Station, but then, as revealing from the record, even the police was absolutely callous and negligent in investigating the matter pursuant to the registration of the F.I.R. bearing Bettiah Town P.S. Case No.534 of 2016 dated 7th of October, 2016 under Section 363 of I.P.C.

This Court issued several directions to the concerned Superintendent of Police to himself appear before the Court, as is evident from the orders dated 14th of March, 2018, 18th of May, 2018 and 18th of June, 2018.

Today, the investigation is complete, but, unfortunately, the body of the child could not be found. According to the police, the child is traceless.

We are of the considered view that at this stage no other and further orders are required to be passed and we close the matter with the hope and trust that even in future the police shall continue to trace the child. Also liberty is granted to the petitioner to challenge the investigation in an appropriate proceeding.



With the aforesaid observations and directions,
we close the present proceeding.

(Sanjay Karol, CJ)

(Dinesh Kumar Singh, J)

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