

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.23947 of 2019

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Umesh Paswan, son of Sri Kallu Paswan, resident of Village- Nainha, P.S. Sadar, District- Vaishali (Hajipur).

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Secretary, Department of Food and Consumer Protection, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Collector, Vaishali at Hajipur.
3. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Hajipur Vaishali.
4. The Block Supply Officer, Hajipur District- Vaishali.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Dhananjaya Nath Tiwari, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. S. Raza Ahmad (AAG-5)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ASHUTOSH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 03-12-2019 Mr. D.N. Tiwari, learned advocate for the

petitioner submits that against the order of cancellation of PDS license of the petitioner, he has appealed before the District Magistrate, Vaishali at Hajipur on 26.02.2019 vide Appeal Case No. 50/2018-19. However, the aforesaid appeal has not yet been disposed off.

Mr. Tiwari, learned advocate submits that he shall be satisfied in the event of a direction to the appellate authority viz. the District Magistrate, Vaishali



at Hajipur to dispose off the appeal within a reasonable period of time/stipulated time frame with a reasoned order.

The District Magistrate, Vaishali at Hajipur/respondent No. 2 ought to have, up till now, disposed off the appeal as ten months have passed by since the same was filed. No direction is required to an authority to perform his obligation.

In any view of the matter, this Court directs the District Magistrate, Vaishali at Hajipur/respondent No. 2 to dispose off the appeal of the petitioner as early as possible but not later than 10th of January, 2020.

Let a copy of this order be produced before the appellate authority by the petitioner.

With the aforesaid observation/direction the writ petition stands disposed off.

(Ashutosh Kumar, J)

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