

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.5617 of 2021

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Abhimanyu Singh S/o Shri Arjun Singh Village- Barauni 1, Ward No.-06,
Tola-Jagarnathpur, Post Office-Barauni Deodhi, District-Begusarai, Bihar.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The Union of India through the Secretary, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India.
2. The Union of India through the Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Government of India
3. Food Corporation of India Bihar
4. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Ministry of Food and Consumer Protection, State of Bihar,
5. The District Magistrate, Begusarai.
6. The Sub Divisional Officer, Teghra, Begusarai
7. The Block Development Officer, Teghra, Begusarai
8. The District Supply Officer, Begusarai.
9. The Marketing Officer, Teghra
10. The Secretary, The Bihar State Food Commission

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Saket Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Dr.K.N.Singh, ASG

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

and

HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S. KUMAR

ORAL JUDGMENT

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

Date : 22-12-2021

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

Petitioner has prayed for the following relief(s):-



- (i) For the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ /writs, order/orders , direction/directions to direct the proper inquiry regarding proper distribution of food grains to eligible household and the corruption and irregularities prevalent in the PULIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM at large in the State of BIHAR including that in the Teghra Sub Division of Begusarai District .
- (ii) For the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other writ/writs ,order/orders ,direction/directions to direct the respondent authorities to strictly implement provisions of The National Food Security Act 2013 so that the eligible households may have proper access of right to food guaranteed under the Act .
- (iii) For the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ /writs ,order/orders ,direction/directions to direct the respondent authorities to ensure the proper quantity of food grains as mandated under the various schemes i.e Antoday Anna Yojana (AAY),
- (iv) For the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ/writs , order/orders , direction/directions to direct the respondent authorities to ensure that multiple ration cards sanctioned in the name of one person of the members of the same family in plurality be traced out , the ineligible on who's name ration cards are issued be traced and be cancelled thereupon and cancelled to the extent of singular cards to each family or eligible households and to also issue ration cards to those who are deprived of the Right Guaranteed under the National Food Security Act 2013
- (v) For the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ /writs, order/orders, direction/directions to direct the respondent authorities to pay the subsidies which the Government sanctioned to the beneficiaries be directly transferred to the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) as is distributed in the case of Domestic LPG distribution system for ensuring transparency in Public Distribution System



- (vi) For issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ/writs, order/orders, direction/directions to direct the respondent authorities to ensure proper distribution of appropriate quantity and quality of food grains to each eligible household under the scheme of Pradhanmantri Garib Kalyan Yojana during the period of covid -19 i.e up to the month of November as of now .
- (vii) Any other relief or reliefs which the court consider appropriate, fit and proper in the facts and circumstances mentioned hereinafter.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that pursuant to filing of the present petition, respondents have now initiated action and case stands registered.

As such, we dispose of the present petition with a direction to Respondent No. 10, namely the Secretary, Bihar State Food Commission to ensure that the process is completed at the earliest, preferably within a period of one year from the date of production of a copy of this order before him.

Interlocutory Application(s), if any, stands disposed of.

(Sanjay Karol, CJ)

(S. Kumar, J)

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