

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.10459 of 2020**

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Pankaj Kumar, S/o Arun Prasad, Resident of Village- Kathanpura, P.S.-  
Noorsarai, District- Nalanda.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through its Chief Secretary, Government of Bihar, Old Secretariat, Patna.
2. The Principal Secretary, Public Health and Engineering Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Principal Secretary, Panchayati Raj Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
4. The Engineer-in- Chief cum Special Secretary, Public Health and Engineering Department, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
5. The District Magistrate, Nalanda at Nalanda.
6. The Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, Biharsharif, Dist.- Nalanda.
7. The Assistant Engineer, Public Health Division, Biharsharif, Dist.- Nalanda.
8. The Circle Officer, Noorsarai, District- Nalanda.

... .. Respondent/s

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**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Uday Pratap Singh, Advocate  
Mr. Rajesh Kumar, Advocate  
For the Respondent/s : Mr. S. Raja Ahmad, AAG-5

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(The proceedings of the Court are being conducted through Video Conferencing and the Advocates joined the proceedings through Video Conferencing from their residence.)

**CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE**  
**and**  
**HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S. KUMAR**  
**ORAL JUDGMENT**  
**(Per: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S. KUMAR)**

**Date : 21-06-2021**

Heard the parties.

Petitioner has prayed for following relief(s):-

“A. A writ in the nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ, order/s, direction/s commanding the Respondent



Authorities for implementation of 'Har Ghar Nal Ka Jal' scheme/project to provide clean drinking water to the People of Ward Number 12 of Gram Panchayat, Rasalpur, falling within, Noorsarai, Block of Nalanda District.

B. For any other relief/s to which the petitioner is found entitled for.”

After the matter was heard for some time, learned counsel for the petitioner, under instructions, states that petitioner shall be content if a direction is issued to the authority concerned to consider and decide the representation which the petitioner shall be filing within a period of four weeks from today for redressal of the grievance(s).

Learned counsel for the respondents states that if such a representation is filed by the petitioner, the authority concerned shall consider and dispose it of expeditiously and preferably within a period of three months from the date of its filing along with a copy of this order.

Statement accepted and taken on record.

As such, petition stands disposed of in the following terms:-

(a) Petitioner shall approach the authority concerned within a period of four weeks from today by filing a representation for redressal of the grievance(s);



(b) The authority concerned shall consider and dispose it of expeditiously by a reasoned and speaking order preferably within a period of three months from the date of its filing along with a copy of this order;

(c) Needless to add, while considering such representation, principles of natural justice shall be followed and due opportunity of hearing afforded to the parties;

(d) Equally, liberty is reserved to the petitioner to take recourse to such alternative remedies as are otherwise available in accordance with law;

(e) We are hopeful that as and when petitioner takes recourse to such remedies, as are otherwise available in law, before the appropriate forum, the same shall be dealt with, in accordance with law and with reasonable dispatch;

(f) Liberty reserved to the petitioner to approach the Court, if the need so rises subsequently on the same and subsequent cause of action;

(g) We have not expressed any opinion on merits.  
All issues are left open;

(h) The proceedings, during the time of current Pandemic- Covid-19 shall be conducted through digital mode, unless the parties otherwise mutually agree to meet in person



i.e. physical mode;

The petition stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

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

**(Sanjay Karol, CJ)**

**( S. Kumar, J)**

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