

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.4287 of 2020

Kamla Devi, aged about 57 years, Gender-Female, Wife of Dinanath Cheudhary resident of Village- Madhubani Ghat, P.O.- Madhubani Ghat, P.S.- Motihari Muffasil, Dist- East Champaran

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Electricity Department, Government of Bihar, East Champaran Motihari
2. The District Magistrate, East Champaran Motihari
3. The North Bihar Power Distribution Company through its Chairman
4. The Chairman, North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited
5. The Electric Superintending Engineer, Electric Supply Anchal, Motihari, Dist- East Champaran
6. The Executive Engineer, Electric Supply division, Motihari, East Champaran

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Binay Kumar, Advocate
For the Election Commission	:	Mr. Vinay Kirti Singh, Advocate
		Mr. Akhileshwar Singh, Advocate
		Mr. Vijay Kumar Verma, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Subash Prasad Singh, GA 3
		Mr. Indeshwari Prasad Jha, AC to GA 3

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SHAILENDRA SINGH
ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA)

2 28-06-2022 Heard learned counsel for the parties.

The petitioner has prayed for issuance of appropriate writ/direction for payment of compensation to her as she suffered burn injuries due to the electric wire which fell on her and she was hospitalized for 38 days. According to her, Rs. 1,43,451/- spent on her treatment. According to her, she alleges that for this negligence, the North Bihar Public Distribution



Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as the 'Company') is liable.

Learned counsel appearing for the Company however submits that they have not received any representation from the petitioner.

Under the circumstances, the writ petition is disposed off with a direction that in case the petitioner files a representation before the Managing Director of the Company within three weeks from today, her grievance shall be looked into and a speaking order shall be passed within one month thereafter. If any amount is found due it shall be paid to the petitioner forthwith.

It is made clear that in case there is any inordinate delay in dealing with the matter, the respondent no. 1 shall be at liberty to impose punitive cost not less than Rs. 50,000/- on the officer responsible for delay and recover the same from his salary.

The writ petition stands disposed off.

(Rajan Gupta, J)

(Shailendra Singh, J)

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