

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.11894 of 2021

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M/s. Brijnandan Singh through its Partner Brijnandan Singh aged about 61 Years, Male Son of Late Mangru Singh Resicent of Village Lahthan, P.S. Agiaon Bazar, District Ara (Bhojpur) Bihar.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Additional Chief Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Engineer in Chief, (Head Quarters), Water Resources Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
4. The Chief Engineer, Flood Control and Drainage, Water Resources Departement, Katihar, District Katihar, Bihar.
5. The Superintending Engineer, Irrigation Circle, Bhagalpur, District Bhagalpur, Bihar.
6. The Executive Engineer, Flood Control Division, Naugachia, District Bhagalpur, Bihar.
7. The Mines Development Officer, Bhagalpur, District Bhagalpur, Bihar.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Prabhat Ranjan, Advocate
For the State	:	Mr. Vikash Kumar, SC 11 with Mr. Akash Chaturvedi, AC to SC 11
For the Mines Department	:	Mr. Naresh Dixit, Advocate

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA)

3 29-03-2022 The petitioner has filed this writ petition for refund/release of an amount of Rs.1,36,37,600/- along with interest which, according to him, has been withheld since 24.09.2017. No reasons are forthcoming on record for retaining this amount.



Under the circumstances, we dispose off the writ petition with liberty to the petitioner to file a representation before the Additional Chief Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Bihar, Patna within two weeks from today. In case he does so, the Additional Chief Secretary of the Department will take a decision thereon within three weeks by passing a speaking order. If the amount is found due to the petitioner, it shall be released to him forthwith. In case of further delay in passing the order, interest at the rate of 8% shall be payable.

(Rajan Gupta, J)

(Harish Kumar, J)

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