

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.4675 of 2023

Manju Kumari, W/o Guddu Kumar Paswan, Resident of Ward no-3, Village-Piprauliya, PO.-Malahipatti, Bahadurpur Panchayat Chandanpatti, P.S. Ashok Paper Mill, Dist. Darbhanga, Bihar 846002.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Additional Chief Secretary, Departemnt of Social Welfare, Govt. of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Divisional Commissioner, Darbhanga Division, Darbhanga.
3. The District Magistrate Darbhanga.
4. The District Programme Officer, ICDS, Darbhanga.
5. The Child Development Project Officer, Block Hayaghat, Darbhanga.
6. Soni Kumari, W/o Ajay Kumar Paswan, Resident of Village Piprauliya, Panchayat Chandanpatti, P.S. Ashok Paper Mill, Post Malhipatti, Block Pin-846002

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr. Dhananjay Kumar, Advocate
For the State : Mr. S.K. Mandal, SC-3
Mr. Arjun Prasad, AC to SC-3

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE MADHURESH PRASAD
ORAL ORDER

2 22-09-2023 1. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and
learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner by way of the instant writ application is assailing the selection of private Respondent No.6 as Aanganwadi Sevika for Centre No. 162, Village- Pirauliya, P.O.- Malahipatti, Bahadurpur Panchayat Chandanpatti, P.S.- Ashok Paper Mill, District- Darbhanga.

3. By way of interim measure, the private Respondent No. 6 was directed to be given a selection letter for working as



Aanganwadi Sevika of the centre in question. The said order, which is interim in nature, was the original subject of the writ application. During pendency, the District Programme Officer, Darbhanga, on 03.04.2023 has cancelled the selection of the petitioner and directed that the private Respondent No.6 should assume the charge of Sevika for Centre No. 162, in question.

4. The court would observe that order of the District Programme Officer is subject to appeal before the Divisional Commissioner under Clause-12 of the Guidelines for Selection of Aanganwadi Sevika/Sahayika, 2019 (hereinafter referred as “2019 Guidelines”) issued by the ICDS Directorate.

5. With liberty to the petitioner to avail remedy under the 2019 Guidelines, writ application is dismissed.

(Madhuresh Prasad, J)

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