

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.7154 of 2024

Reena Kumari, Female, aged about 29 years, W/O Ram Pravesh Ray,
Resident of Village- Mahua Singh Ray East Ward No. , P.S. Mahua, District-
Vaishali.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Food and Supply, Patna.
2. The District Magistrate, Cum- Chairman District Selection Committee, P.D.S. licence, District- Vaishali.
3. The Sub- Divisional Officer Cum licencing authority, Mahua Sub- Division, Vaishali.
4. The District Supply Officer Vaishali at Hajipur
5. The Assistant District Supply Officer, Vaishali at Hajipur
6. The Block Supply Officer, Mahua, District- Vaishali.
7. Rekha Kumari W/O Rajesh Kumar R/o Village - Mahua Singh Ray, P.S. Mahua, District- Vaishali.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Rajeev Ranjan No.II, Adv.
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Standing Counsel (16).

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A. ABHISHEK REDDY
ORAL ORDER

2 22-10-2024 Even though, the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner has argued at length on merits of the case, this Court is not inclined to entertain the present writ petition, having regard to the facts that the petitioner has an alternative and efficacious remedy of preferring a statutory appeal before the District Magistrate-cum-Chairman, District Selection Committee, PDS licence, District Vaishali under Clause 32(3) of the Bihar Targeted Public Distribution System



(Control) Order, 2016. The present writ petition is disposed of directing the petitioner to approach the District Magistrate-cum-Chairman, District Selection Committee, PDS licence, District Vaishali (Respondent No. 2) by way of appeal within a period of two weeks from today. On such appeal being filed, the District Magistrate-cum-Chairman, District Selection Committee, PDS licence, District Vaishali (Respondent No. 2) shall consider the same on merits and pass a reasoned orders in accordance with law.

2. It is needless to mention that before passing any order, the authorities concerned shall give an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner. The entire exercise shall be completed as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of eight weeks from the date of filing of the appeal by the petitioner. Any order passed shall be communicated to the parties.

3. With the above directions, the present writ petition stands disposed of.

(A. Abhishek Reddy, J)

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