

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.16243 of 2024

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Ravikesh Kumar Bhagirathi Prasad Yadav Resident of Village- Khataura,
P.S.- Ramnagar, District- West Champaran. ... Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Bihar, through the Principal Secretary, Food and Consumer Protection Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Principal Secretary, Food and Consumer Protection Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Divisional Commissioner, Tirhut Division, Muzaffarpur.
4. The Collector-cum-District Magistrate, West Champaran at Bettiah.
5. The Additional Collector-cum-Additional District Magistrate, West Champaran at Bettiah.
6. The District Supply Officer, West Champaran at Bettiah.
7. The Licensing Authority-cum-Sub Divisional Officer, Bagaha, District- West Champaran.
8. The Block Supply Officer, Ramnagar Block, Ramnagar, Dist- West Champaran. ... Respondents

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner : Mr.Sanjeev Kumar, Adv.
For the Respondents : Mr.Standing Counsel (16)

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

2 04-12-2024 Heard the learned counsel for the parties.

2. 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 fact that the petitioner has an alternative and efficacious remedy of preferring a statutory appeal before the District Magistrate-cum-Collector, West Champaran at Bettiah under Clause 32(3) of the Bihar Targeted Public Distribution System (Control) Order, 2016. The present writ petition is disposed of granting liberty to the petitioner to



approach the District Magistrate-cum-Collector, West Champaran at Bettiah (Respondent No. 4) by way of appeal within a period of two weeks from today. On such appeal being filed, the District Magistrate-cum-Collector, West Champaran at Bettiah (Respondent No. 4) shall consider the same on merits and pass a reasoned orders in accordance with law.

3. 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.

4. Accordingly, the present writ petition stands disposed of.

(A. Abhishek Reddy , J)

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