

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Letters Patent Appeal No.707 of 2023

In
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.14462 of 2016

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Rajeev Kumar Son of Sri Keshwar Prasad Singh, Resident of Village and
Post-Khushalpur, P.S.-Akangersarai, District-Nalanda (Bihar).

... .. Appellant/s

Versus

1. The Vice-Chancellor-cum-Chairman, Academic Council, Patna University
Patna.
2. The Registrar, Patna University, Patna.
3. The Director, N.I.T., Patna.
4. The Pro. Vice-Chancellor, Patna University, Patna.
5. The Dean Faculties of Engineering in Science, Patna University, Patna.
6. The Head of Civil Engineering Department, N.I.T., Patna.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Appellant/s	:	Mr. Shashi Nath Jha, Advocate
		Mr. Sunny Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent/s	:	Mr. Rajendra Kumar Giri, Advocate

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PARTHA SARTHY
ORAL JUDGMENT
(Per: HONOURABLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE)

Date : 20-02-2025

The appellant had applied for pursuing his Ph.D course under a guide sometimes in the year 2006. The project could not be completed by the appellant and a request made by him for extension of time was also rejected.



2. The appellant, thereafter, approached this Court when a direction was given to the Vice-Chancellor of the concerned University to pass a reasoned order.

3. A reasoned order was passed by the Vice-Chancellor rejecting the prayer for extension of time to the appellant to continue and complete his Ph.D course.

4. The same was challenged before this Court vide CWJC No. 14462 of 2016, which too stood dismissed vide judgment dated 13.12.2016, holding that the maximum time frame for completing a Ph.D course, to be counted from the date of registration, was 4 years with a possible extension of 2 years in case good reasons were shown.

5. Eighteen years have passed by and the matter is still hanging fire.

6. The judgment of this Court dated 13.12.2016 was challenged by the appellant sometimes in the year 2023 along with a request for condonation of delay of 6 years 4 months and 2 days.



7. No good ground has been shown in I.A No. 01 of 2023 to condone this long delay. Even otherwise, on merits, we do not find any flaw with the order passed by the learned Single Judge.

8. The appeal is dismissed.

(Ashutosh Kumar, ACJ)

(Partha Sarthy, J)

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