

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.13510 of 2022

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Sangita Pandey W/o Rajiv Pandey, Resident of Village- Ward No. 11, Bakke Patti, Majhauwa, B.B. Bankatwa, P.S. Chautarwa District- West Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through Secretary, Food and Consumer Protection Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The District Magistrate, District- West Champaran at Bettiah cum Chairman the District Selection Committee- West Champaran at Bettiah.
3. The District Selection Committee West Champaran at Bettiah through its Secretary, the District Supply Officer, - West Champaran Bettiah.
4. The District Supply Officer, District - West Champaran.
5. Additional District Supply Officer, West Champaran.
6. The Sub Divisional Officer, Bagaha, District - West Champaran.
7. Punam Kumari W/o Shri Narayan Ram, Village Pahadi Majhauwa B.B. Bankatwa Bagha District - West Champaran.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Bimlesh Kumar Pandey
For the Respondent/s : Mr. S. Raza Ahmad (Aag 5)

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

3 20-01-2025 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-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 directing the petitioner to approach the

District Magistrate-cum-Collector, West Champaran at Bettiah (Respondent No. 2) 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. 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. Accordingly, the present writ petition stands disposed of.

(A. Abhishek Reddy, J)

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