

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA

Miscellaneous Jurisdiction Case No.4581 of 2024

In

Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.12622 of 2021

Ajay Kumar Singh, aged about 53 years, male, Son of Late Braj Bhushan Prasad Singh @ Brajbhushan Singh, Resident of Village- Chapar (Jorawar), Post Office- Chapar, Police Station- Mohiuddin Nagar, District- Samastipur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through Shri Amrit Lal Meena, I.A.S., Chief Secretary, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. Shri Ram Singh Meena, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. Shri Prashanth Kumar C.H., I.A.S., Director, Social Welfare Directorate, Government of Bihar, Patna.
4. Shri Divesh Sehara, I.A.S., Secretary, Schedule Caste Welfare Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
5. Shri Manoj Kumar, I.A.S., Secretary Backward Class-I and Backward Class-II, Welfare Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
6. Shri Kaushal Kishore, I.A.S., Director, I.C.D.S., Second Floor, Indra Bhawan, Patna.
7. Shri Yogendra Singh, I.A.S., District Magistrate-cum-Collector, District-Samastipur.
8. Smt. Sunita, District Programme Officer (Establishment), District-Samastipur.
- 8(A). Shri Kumar Satyam, District Programme Officer (Establishment), District – Samastipur.
9. Smt. Meera Kumari, Child Development Project Officer, Block Mohiuddin Nagar, District- Samastipur.
10. Smt. Kranti Kumari, Lady Supervisor, Office of C.D.P.O., Mohiuddin Nagar, District- Samastipur.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Amit Kumar, Advocate
Mr. Kumar Balkrishna, Advocate
For the Opposite Party/s : Government Advocate 7



CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. B. BAJANTHRI
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S. B. PD. SINGH
ORAL ORDER
(Per: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P. B. BAJANTHRI)

3 10-07-2025 The present MJC No. 4581 of 2024 / contempt application is not maintainable on the ground of delay in filing the contempt application. The Co-ordinate Bench while passing order on 02.08.2021 in CWJC No. 12622 of 2021 directed the petitioner to approach the District Magistrate, Samstipur within a period of four weeks from 02.08.2021. The petitioner representation is dated 07.08.2021. Thereafter, the concerned authority was required to pass reasoned and speaking order within a period of three months which lapse on 06.11.2021. The cause of action accrued to the petitioner on 05.11.2022, whereas the present contempt application is filed in the year 2024. In the light of these facts and circumstances, the present MJC No. 4581 of 2024 is barred by limitation.

2. In this regard, the Co-ordinate Bench in the case of ***Dr. Rajesh Kumar Sinha and others vs. The Union of India and Others*** in **MJC No. 1840 of 2023** dated 24.07.2023, elaborately considered Section 20 of the Contempt of Courts Act read with Article 215 of the Constitution. Principles decided in the aforementioned decision aptly applicable to the case in hand. Accordingly, the present contempt petition stands



dismissed on the ground of delay and laches reserving liberty to
the petitioner to file fresh writ petition.

(P. B. Bajanthri, J)

(S. B. Pd. Singh, J)

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