

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.970 of 2024

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Sangeeta Sinha Wife of Late Lalit Kumar, resident of Village- Mahammadpur,
Repura Mahadeo, P.S.- Saraiya, District- Muzaffarpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Disaster Management, Govt. of Bihar, Bihar, Patna.
2. The Agency Executive, Bihar State Disaster Management Authority, 2nd Floor Pant Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna.
3. The District Magistrate Muzaffarpur cum Disaster Management Authority, Collectorate Office, District-Muzaffarpur.
4. The Chief Medical Officer, Muzaffarpur, District-Muzaffarpur.
5. The Chief Medical Officer, Buxar, District-Buxar.
6. The Circle Officer, Paroo, District-Muzaffarpur.
7. The Director, State Health Society, Bihar, Patna.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Arvind Kumar, Adv.
For the State	:	Mr. Government Pleader (3)
For the BHS	:	Dr. Anand Kumar, Adv.
		Ms. Vijeta Kumari, Adv.

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

10 20-07-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel for the State.

2. In the instant writ petition, the petitioner has prayed
for the following reliefs:-

*“ This is an application for issuance of an
appropriate Writ/Writs, Direction/Directions to the
respondent authority to pay ex-gratia amount of Rs
4,50,000/= (Four lac fifty thousand Rupees only) due
to death of the husband of the petitioner on account of*



Covid 19 as provided under the guideline issued by the Central Government for paying the compensation of Ex-Gratia of Covid -19 Victim. and/or pass any order/ orders, direction / s for which the petitioner is found legally entitled.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in spite of issuance of specific guidelines for providing ex-gratia to the dependent of the Covid -19 victim and having preferred medical evidence and several representation to the concerned authorities, no action had been taken in respect to payment of compensation.

4. Learned counsel for the State referring to the counter affidavit of the respondent no. 5 District Magistrate, Buxar submits that in compliance of the order of this Hon'ble Court, three men committee was set up and an inquiry was made. In the course of inquiry, Director V.K. Global Hospital Buxar was examined and as per his declaration, it was found that Lalit Kumar, the husband of the petitioner was diagnosed as Covid-19 negative.

5. Having heard the parties, in view of the aforesaid fact where authorities are denying the fact that the husband of the petitioner was suffering from Covid-19. I am not inclined to



interfere in the present writ petition. However, the petitioner is at liberty to file representation before authorities concerned for payment of Ex-Gratia with all relevant documents.

6. It is made clear that if such representation is being made, authorities concerned shall look into the matter sympathetically and do the needful.

7. With the aforesaid observation, the present writ petition is disposed of.

(Alok Kumar, J)

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