

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.4077 of 2026

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Mahesh Paswan S/o Brahmdeo Paswan, Resident of village- Bariyarpur, P.S.-
Bakhtiyarpur, District- Patna.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through Secretary, Food and Consumer Protection
Department, Government of Bihar, Old Secretariat, Patna.
2. The District Magistrate, Patna.
3. The S.D.O, Barh, Patna.
4. The Block Supply Officer, Bakhtiyarpur, Patna.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr.Vijay Anand, Adv. Mr. Roop Kishan, Adv.
For the Respondent/s	:	Mr.Standing Counsel (16)

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

- 2 15-04-2026 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, Patna, 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, Patna (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, Patna (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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