

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.4088 of 2026

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Ajay Shankar Pathak Son of Late Rameshwar Nath Pathak Resident of
Village- Saisar, P.S.- Dinara, District- Rohtas at Sasaram.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Chief Secretary, Bihar, Patna.
2. The District Magistrate, Rohtas at Sasaram.
3. The District Arms Magistrate, Rohtas at Sasaram.
4. The Superintendent of Police, Rohtas at Sasaram.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Ravi Shankar Pathak
For the Respondent/s : Mr.Standing Counsel (22)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE AJIT KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 03-07-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel for the State.

2. The writ application has been filed for the
following reliefs:-

*(i) for quashing of order
dated 10.05.2025 passed by District
Magistrate, Rohtas, Sasaram in Arms
Case No. 06/2025, whereby and where
under learned District Magistrate has
rejected the application for grant of
N.P. Bore rifle of the petitioner.*

*(ii) For direction to
respondent authorities especially
respondent No. 2 to grant the license
of N.P. Bore rifle to the petitioner for*



the safety of life and property of the petitioner.

(iii) For any other relief or reliefs for which the petitioner may be found entitle.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that an application in the prescribed format has already been filed before the District Magistrate, Rohtas, which is appended to the writ application. However, till date, no action has been taken with regard to the grant of an arms license. It is further submitted that, as per the provisions of the Arms Act, a license may be granted for ensuring the safety of life and property upon an application being made. Despite the application having been filed on 16.03.2008, no decision has yet been taken.

4. On the other hand, learned counsel for the State submits that since the application has already been made in the prescribed format, the competent authority is required to adjudicate the same by passing an appropriate order in accordance with law.

5. In view of the submissions made on behalf of the parties, the District Magistrate, Rohtas at Sasaram, is directed to take a final decision on the petitioner's application for grant of an arms license within a period of eight weeks from today. The order so passed shall also be communicated to the petitioner



within the said period.

6. With the aforesaid observations and directions, the instant writ application stands disposed.

7. Petitioner is also at liberty to apprise the licensing authority with regard to judicial pronouncement made on the subject in issue which shall be considered by the licensing authority before passing any order.

(Ajit Kumar, J)

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