

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.6121 of 2026

1. Manoj Kumar Son of Har Narayan Sah, Resident of Village - Bagahi, P.O. Pokhrera, P.S. - Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra - 841424.
2. Manoj Kumar Singh Son of Dhupan Singh Resident of Village - Sirmi, P.O. Taraiya, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra - 841424.
3. Shiv Kumar Raut Son of Laxman Rout Resident of Village - Galimapur, P.O. Taraiya, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra - 841424.
4. Rohit Kumar, Son of Harendra Mahto, Resident of village- Sani Kharati, P.O.- Taraiya, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra.- 841424.
5. Jay Kishor Ram, Son of Ramdev Ram, Resident of village- Chainpur, P.O.- Taraiya, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra-841424.
6. Guddu Kumar Bhagat, Son of Shankar Bhagat, Resident of village- Shitalpatti, P.O. and P.S.- Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra-841424.
7. Vijay Singh, Son of Harinarayan Singh, Resident of village- Chainpur, P.O.- Taraiya, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra-841424.
8. Hawal Sah, Hawal Sah, Son of Late Sahdev Sah, Resident of village Pokhrera, P.O.-Pokhrera, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra-841424.
9. Sarvjeet Kumar Sharma, Son of Sitaram Sharma, Resident of village Lauwa, P.O.-Lauwa, P.S.- Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra-841424.
10. Amit Kumar Singh, Son of Shatrudhan Singh, Resident of village- Pachbhinda, P.O.- Pachbinda, P.S. Taraiya, District- Saran at Chapra-841424.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Chief Secretary, Government of Bihar, Main Secretariat, Patna.
2. The Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Panchayati Raj, Government of Bihar, New Secretariat, Patna.
3. The Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Public, Health and Engineering, Government of Bihar, New Secretariat, Patna.
4. The Divisional Commissioner, Saran Division, Chapra.
5. The Collector-cum-District Magistrate, Saran at Chapra.
6. The Deputy Development Commissioner, Saran at Chapra.
7. The District Panchayat Raj Officer, Saran at Chapra.
8. The Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, Saran at Chapra.



9. The Executive Engineer, Electric Supply Division, Saran at Chapra.
10. The Block Development Officer, Taraiya Block, Saran.
11. The Authorized Officer, relating to Circulation of Nal-Jal Scheme, Taraiya Block, Saran.
12. The Mukhiya of concern Gram Panchayat Raj Under Taraiya Block in the District of Saran.
13. The Secretary of concern Gram Panchayat Raj Under Taraiya Block in the District of Saran.
14. The Chairman, Ward Kriyanwan Evam Prabandhan Samiti of Concern Gram Panchayat Raj under Taraiya Block in the District of Saran.
15. The Secretary, Ward Kriyanwan Evam Prabandhan Samiti of Concern Gram Panchayat Raj under Taraiya Block in the District of Saran.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Jeetendra Narayan, Advocate

For the Respondent/s : Mr. Standing Counsel (4)

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DR. ANSHUMAN

ORAL JUDGMENT

Date : 23-04-2026

Learned Counsel for the petitioners and learned Counsel for the State are present.

2. The present writ petition has been filed by the petitioners directing the respondent for payment/remuneration with all consequential benefits to the petitioners, who are working as Nal-Jal Anurakshak under different Panchayat/Village of Tariya Block in the district of Saran, whose long standing payments are due before the respondent authorities.



3. Learned Counsel for the petitioners submits that the genesis of his demand is Annexure-P/6, i.e., letter No.26 dated 14.08.2024, which was issued from the Principal Secretary of Public Health & Engineering Department, Government of Bihar, to the District Magistrate contained in Memo No.26 dated 14.08.2024. Learned Counsel for the petitioners submits that series of representations have been filed to the concerned B.D.O., but payment has not been made to the petitioners. As such, petitioners have no option but to move before this Court.

4. Learned Counsel for the State submits that a direction may be given to take decision on the representations of the petitioners.

5. It transpires to this Court that genesis of the demand as prayed is Annexure-P/6 i.e., letter No.26 dated 14.08.2024, which is a letter being scanned hereunder:-



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विद्यार् सरकार
लोक स्वास्थ्य अभियंत्रण विभाग

क्रमांक: 15/11/22-1028/2024 -- 2-E

प्रति,
जिला प्रमुख,
प्रधान सचिव।

सेवा में,
राष्ट्रीय जिला पदाधिकारी,
विभाग।

विषय: पंचायती राज विभाग के नियंत्रण क्षेत्र 88003 ग्रामीण बांछी में निर्मित 70157 जलपूर्ति योजनाओं में कराये गये अनुसंधान एवं रख-रखाव की समीक्षा करने के संबंध में।

प्रमाण: सर्वेक्षण संख्या-650/वि.प्र-01-1018/2.03-670, दिनांक-28.2.2024

समाधान:

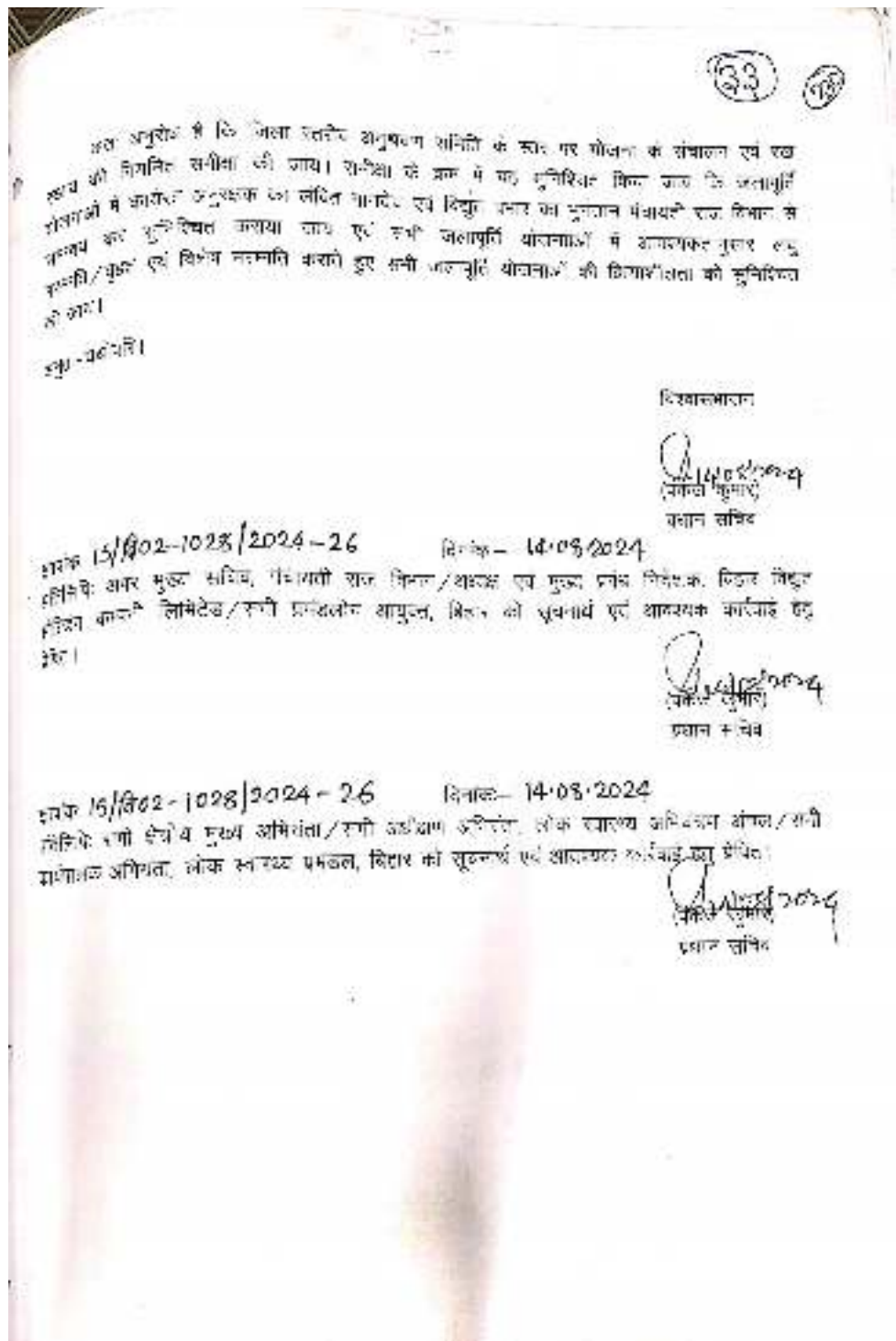
संदर्भित संचयक एवं प्रांतीयक विषय के संबंध में उद्घृत है कि पंचायती राज विभाग के नियंत्रण क्षेत्र 88003 ग्रामीण बांछी को विभाग के प्रशासित 70157 जलपूर्ति योजनाओं के अनुसंधान एवं रख-रखाव हेतु मंत्रिपरिषद् के अनुमान-सोपानत निर्मित संयोज्य एवं वित्तित अनुदेश 854 एवं 855 के साथ चल रहा है।

इन योजनाओं के संचालन हेतु प्रति योजना, प्रति वर्ष रु. 1,00,000 (एक लाख आठ हजार रुपए) की दर से योजना संचालन को गढ़ है। उक्त राशि से प्रति योजना अनुसंधान एवं रख-रखाव प्रति माह 2000 रु. एवं वित्तित प्रभार अंशित 2000 रु. प्रति माह की दर से पंचायती राज विभाग द्वारा 15% वित्त आवंटन से करना किया जाता है। योजनाओं के लघु/मध्य एवं विशेष परामर्श हेतु संबंधित लोक स्वास्थ्य प्रमंडल एवं पंचायती राज विभाग से परामर्श वित्त आवंटन अंतर्गत हस्तांतरित होकारी राशि एवं राज्य योजना से उपलब्ध करायी जायेगी।

जिला स्तरीय अनुसंधान समिति-जिला स्तर पर विभिन्न विभागों में सम्बन्ध एवं पर पर मत का वक्त योजना के प्रभावी संचालन एवं अनुसंधान हेतु एक समिति होगी। यह समिति जिला स्तर से WARD द्वारा अनुसंधान के मातृदेय का सम्बन्ध भूगर्भ/संचालन द्वारा वित्तित प्रभार का भूगर्भ एवं जलपूर्ति योजनाओं के क्रियाशीलता, अनुसंधान एवं रख-रखाव की समीक्षा करेगी। अनुसंधान समिति का गठन जिला प्रसार किया गया है।

1. जिला पदाधिकारी	-	अध्यक्ष
2. तम विकास आयुक्त	-	सदस्य
3. जिला पंचायती राज पदाधिकारी	-	सदस्य
4. कार्यपालक अभियंता, लोक स्वास्थ्य प्रमंडल	-	सदस्य
5. कार्यपालक अभियंता, विद्युत आपूर्ति प्रमंडल	-	सदस्य





6. In this background, respondent No.3, the Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Public Health & Engineering, Government of Bihar, previously known as Principal Secretary, issued letter to all District Magistrates.

7. In this view of the matter, all the petitioners are directed to file a collective representation before the District Magistrate, Saran at Chapra (respondent No.5) within 30 days from today along with a copy of this order and District Magistrate shall pass a reasoned and speaking order on the representation filed by the petitioners within 90 days from the date of receipt/production of a copy of this order.

(Dr. Anshuman, J)

Mkr./-

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