

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Miscellaneous Jurisdiction Case No.1868 of 2025

In
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.9367 of 2015

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1. The Chief Manager, Personal Administration Division Head Office, Punjab National Bank, New Delhi.
 2. The General Manager-cum-Appellate - Authority, Personal Administration Division, Head Office, Punjab National Bank, New Delhi.
 3. The Assistant General Manager-Cum-Disciplinary- Authority, Circle Office, HRD Section, Biharsharif.
 4. The Senior Manager-cum-Enquiry Officer, Circle Office, Punjab National Bank, Biharsharif.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

Ashok Kumar Jha S/o Sadanand Jha, Ex-Manager, Branch Office Jamui and Resident of Mohalla/Village Surihari, Post office- Surihari, Amarpur, District- Bhagalpur.

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Suresh Pd.Singh No.1, Adv.

For the Opposite Party/s : Mr. Avinash Kumar, Adv.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE HARISH KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

3 30-01-2026 Heard Mr. Suresh Pd. Singh No. 1, learned Advocate

for the Punjab National Bank and Mr. Avinash Kumar, learned

Advocate for the sole respondent.

2. The present application has been filed seeking extension of two months further time for conclusion of the departmental proceeding by modifying order dated 29.11.2024, passed in CWJC No. 9367 of 2015 by a Bench of this Court whereby the Court has remanded the matter to the disciplinary authority to proceed afresh with the departmental proceeding from the defective stage and conclude the same within six months



from receipt of the copy of the order.

3. Learned Advocate for the petitioner submits that despite best efforts, the proceeding could not be concluded within the time frame prescribed and prior to the completion of six months, the petitioner had moved before this Court by filing a modification application on 19.05.2025 itself. It is also submitted that during the pendency of the present modification application, an interlocutory application bearing I.A. No. 01 of 2025 has also been filed for extension of one month further time to conclude the departmental proceeding. However, it is fairly contended that the matter could not be taken up and, in the meantime, the departmental proceeding has also been concluded.

4. Having considered the submissions advanced by learned Advocate for the petitioner Bank and taking note of the fact that now the departmental proceeding has already concluded, the present modification application has become infructuous, accordingly the same stands disposed off.

(Harish Kumar, J)

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