

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.13100 of 2025

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Dhrup Deo Pandey son of Anirudh Pandey, resident of village Nepura, P.S. Darauli, District Siwan.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Chief Secretary, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Divisional Commissioner, Saran Division, Chapra
4. The District Magistrate -cum- District Arms Magistrate, Siwan, District Siwan.
5. The Superintendent of Police, Siwan, District - Siwan.
6. The Station Head Officer, Darauli Police Station, District - Siwan.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Pankaj Kumar Singh
For the Respondent/s : Mr.Government Pleader (12)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE AJIT KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 22-06-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel for the State.

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

*“1. (i) For issuance of an appropriate writ in the nature of **MANDAMUS**, commanding and directing the Respondent Authorities, particularly the Respondent no.4 for renewal of petitioner's arms license of S.B.B.L. gun bearing License No.206 of 2000 which was granted to him by the Licensing Authority, the Respondent no.4 for safety of*



life and property of the petitioner on the ground that before expiry of validity of license period i.e. 31.12.2023, the petitioner had already submitted his application in prescribed form for renewal with challan of Rs.2500/- and other relevant documents on 01.11.2023 itself and the petitioner has never misused his arms license since the date of its issuance.

(II) For issuance of any other appropriate writ / writs, order/orders direction/directions for which the writ petitioner would be entitled under the facts and circumstances of the case.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner fairly submits that an application for renewal of arms license in the prescribed format with challan of Rs. 2,500/- has already been filed by the petitioner before the District Magistrate-cum- District Arms Magistrate, Siwan, which is appended to the writ application as Annexure-4. However, till date, no action has been taken with regard to the renewal of the arms license. It is next submitted that, as per the provisions of the Arms Act, a license may be renewed for ensuring the safety of life and property upon an application being made. Despite the application having been filed on 01.11.2023, 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-cum- District Arms Magistrate, Siwan (Respondent No.4), is directed to take a final decision on the petitioner’s application for renewal of the arms license within a period of eight weeks from today. The order so passed shall also be communicated to the petitioner forthwith.

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

(Ajit Kumar, J)

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