IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Miscellaneous Jurisdiction Case No.3809 of 2019
In
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.16518 of 2012

CNR No. BRHC010946142019

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Kuldip Prasad Yadav @ Kuladip Prasad Yadav, S/o Late Faudi Yadav, Resident of Village - Jamuawan @ Jamuavan, P.O. - Kadirganj, P.S. Nawada, Dist - Nawada.

... ... Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar, through Sri Amrit Lal Meena, Secretary, Panchayati Raj.
2. Sri Amrit Lal Meena, the Principal Secretary, Panchayati Raj Department, Bihar Patna.
3. Sri Kaushal Kumar, the District Magistrate/Collector, Nawada.
4. Sri Sanjit Baxi, The District Panchyati Raj Officer (DPRO), Nawada.
5. Sri Kumar Shailendra, the Block Development Officer, Nawada Sadar, Nawada.
6. Sri Abhay Kumar, The Circle Officer, Nawada Sadar, Nawada.

... ... Opposite Party/s

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Appearance :
For the Petitioner : Mr. Durgesh Nandan, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Rakesh Kumar, GA-04

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RITESH KUMAR

ORAL ORDER

11 20-11-2026 Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State.

2. The present contempt petition has been filed for non-compliance of order dated 19.01.2016 passed in CWJC No.16518 of 2012, whereby an Hon'ble Single Judge, while observing that if a proposal, which has been initiated, remained unheeded, the welfare scheme should not meet the fate as painted in the writ petition. Annexure-11 is a joint

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recommendation of the Administration at the District level to the Government in the Department of Panchayati Raj. If any such proposal is forwarded, the respondent State is expected to act promptly thereon. This appears not to have been done in this case. Considering the above, I am persuaded to dispose of the writ petition by directing the appropriate authority in the government to examine the proposal of the district administration and take appropriate decision in accordance with law expeditiously preferably within 06 weeks from the date of receipt/production of a copy of the order.

3. From the record, it appears that initially vide Memo No.9965 dated 18.10.2022 issued under the signature of the then Principal Secretary, Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Bihar, Patna, the proposal for construction of Panchayat Sarkar Bhawan in village Jamuwa Patwasarai in Khata No.547, Khesra No.1760 having an area of 1 acre was approved. Thereafter the file was kept pending at the level of the department and the district administration, on one pretext or the another. Later on, after different orders passed by this Court, again the proposal was initiated and thereafter it came to the knowledge of the opposite parties that the land, which was approved, was not fit for construction, since the same was

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located within 30 meters from the river bank and thereafter a fresh proposal was sent by the District Magistrate, Nawada for construction of Panchayat Sarkar Bhawan on Khesra No.2987, Khata No.547, Thana No.364 having an area of 0.50 acre. The said proposal was sent to the Secretary, Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Bihar, Patna vide letter no.2834 dated 18.09.2026 written by the District Magistrate, Nawada. Finally, vide Memo No.15265 dated 28.10.2026 issued under the signature of the Deputy Secretary, Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Bihar, Patna addressed to the District Magistrate, Nawada, the proposal sent by the District Magistrate for construction of the Panchayat Sarkar Bhawan in Block Nawada Sadar, Panchayat Jamuwa Patwasarai, village Jamuwa Patwasarai on Khesra No.2987 has been approved by the department.

4. In view of the approval granted by the department, now the order under contempt has been complied with. This Court hopes and trusts that now the opposite parties will adhere to the undertaking given before this Court in terms of the approval granted by the Deputy Secretary vide Memo No.15265 dated 28.10.2026 and the Panchayat Sarkar Bhawan will be constructed at the place, which has been mentioned in letter

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no.2834 dated 18.09.2026 issued by the District Magistrate, Nawada.

5. The present contempt petition does not survive for consideration and is accordingly dismissed.

(Ritesh Kumar, J.)

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