

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.15384 of 2023

Ashok Kumar Mandal Son of Late Ganesh Mandal, Resident of Village and Post Office- Mamalakha, Police Station- Sabaur, District- Bhagalpur.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The Bihar State Power Holding Company Limited through the Managing Director, Vidyut Bhawan, Jawaharlal Nehru Marg, Patna- 800001.
2. The Managing Director, Bihar State Power Holding Company Limited, Vidyut Bhawan, Jawaharlal Nehru Marg, Patna- 800001.
3. The South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited, through its Managing Director, Vidyut Bhawan, Jawaharlal Nehru Marg, Patna- 800001.
4. The Managing Director, South Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited, Vidyut Bhawan, Jawaharlal Nehru Marg, Patna- 800001.
5. The General Manager-cum-Chief Electrical Engineer, Bhagalpur Electric Supply Area, Bhagalpur.
6. The Deputy General Manager-cum- Electrical Superintending Engineer, Bhagalpur Electric Supply Area, Bhagalpur.
7. Zeera Devi, Wife of Late Ganesh Mandal, Resident of Village and Post Office- Mamalakha, Police Station - Sabaur, District- Bhagalpur presently residing at Village- Mirzapur, Police Station- Ghogha, Kahalgaon, District- Bhagalpur.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Kumar Kaushik, Advocate
For the Respondents no. 1 to 6: Mr. Ajay Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent No. 7 : Mr. Mrityunjay Kumar, Advocate

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PURNENDU SINGH
ORAL ORDER

9 16-07-2026 Heard Mr. Kumar Kaushik, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner; Mr. Ajay Kumar, learned counsel for the respondents no. 1 to 6 and Mr. Mrityunjay Kumar, learned counsel for the private respondent no. 7.

2. The petitioner claims himself to be the biological son of deceased employee, namely, Late Ganesh Mandal, who



died in harness on 16.05.2004 while working as a skilled labourer at Electricity Supply Sub-Division, Kahalgaon, Bhagalpur, from his wife namely, Bimla Devi. The private respondent no. 7 claims herself to be the second wife of the deceased employee and each are claiming for the payment of retiral dues from the Electricity Board.

3. Both the parties were asked to file succession certificate but till date, they have not brought on record the same.

4. In such circumstances, retiral dues under different heads must be distributed between the legal heirs of the deceased employee, namely, Ganesh Mandal, as such, all the persons, who are claiming themselves to be the legal heirs of the deceased employee, namely, Ganesh Mandal, may appear before the Managing Director, South Bihar Power Holding Company along with the supporting documents in respect of their respective claim that they are entitled for retiral dues under different heads on account of death of the deceased employee.

5. The Managing Director, South Bihar Power Holding Company is directed to pass order on the basis of documents produced by respective parties claiming their entitlement for retiral dues under different heads and several



circulars of the Electricity Board expeditiously, in accordance with law.

6. Accordingly, the present writ petition stands disposed of.

(Purnendu Singh, J)

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