

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.432 of 2026

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Shailendra Kumar Son of Prasann Prasad Singh, Resident of Village Chhota
Bariyarpur, PS Chhatwani, District East Champaran.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the District Magistrate, East Champaran at Motihari.
2. The District Arms Officer, East Champaran, at Motihari.
3. The Superintendent of Police, East Champaran, at Motihari.
4. The Officer In-charge Chhatauni Police Station, East Champaran at Motihari.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Vijay Shankar Shrivastava, Advocate
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Government Pleader (16)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE AJIT KUMAR
ORAL ORDER

2 03-07-2026 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and
learned counsel for the State.

2. The writ application has been filed seeking a
direction to the respondents to issue an arms license for a
D.B.B.L. gun in the name of the petitioner.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that an
application in the prescribed format has already been filed
before the District Collector, Motihari, East Champaran, which
is appended to the writ application as Annexure-P/2. However,
till date, no action has been taken with regard to the grant of an
arms license. It is further submitted that, as per the provisions of
the Arms Act, a license may be granted for ensuring the safety



of life and property upon an application being made. Despite the application having been filed on 02.03.2021, 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 Collector, Motihari, East Champaran, is directed to take a final decision on the petitioner's application for grant of an arms license within a period of eight weeks from today. The order so passed shall also be communicated to the petitioner within the said period.

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

(Ajit Kumar, J)

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