IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

I.A. No. 3869 of 2025

In/and

L.P.A. No. 537 of 2025

1. The State of Jharkhand through the Secretary, Personnel Administrative Reforms and Rajbhasha Department, office located in Project Bhawan, H.E.C Area, Dhurwa PO Dhurwa PS Jaganathpur Dist. Ranchi.
2. The Secretary, Rural Development Department, Government of Jharkhand, office located in Project Bhawan, H.E.C Area, Dhurwa PO Dhurwa PS Jaganathpur Dist. Ranchi.
3. The Divisional Commissioner, Dumka Division, office located at Dumka PO Dumka PS Dumka Dist. Ranchi.
4. The Deputy Commissioner, Sahebganj, office located in Collectorate Building, Sahebganj PO GPO, Sahebganj PS Town Thana, Sahebganj Dist. Sahebganj.
5. The Managing Director, District Rural Development Authority (in short D.R.D.A), Sahebganj office located at Sahebganj PO GPO, Sahebganj PS Town Thana, Sahebganj, Dist. Sahebganj.
6. The Establishment Deputy Collector, Sahebganj, located at Collectorate Building, Sahebganj PO GPO, Sahebganj PS Town Thana, Sahebganj, Dist. Sahebganj.

... Appellants

Versus

1. Md. Rafiq Ahmad years, son of Md Sahabuddin Resident of Sahebganj, PO Sahebganj PS Sahebganj, Dist. Sahebganj, State Jharkhand.
2. Smt. Lushiya Murmu, wife of late laus Marandi presently posted on the post of IVth Grade Employees under Anchal Adhikari, Sahebganj, at Anchal office, Sahebganj PO Sahebganj PS Sahebganj, Dist. Sahebganj, State Jharkhand.
3. Md. Shakil Ahmad, son of Siddique Mian presently posted on the post of IVth Grade in Block Development Officer, Sahebganj at Block Office, Sahebganj PO Sahebganj PS Sahebganj, Dist. Sahebganj, State Jharkhand.
4. Sri Parmanand Pal, Assistant (Retired), presently Resident of Village Samlapur PO Sahebganj PS Sahebganj, Dist. Sahebganj, State Jharkhand.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ PRASAD

For the Appellants: Mr Ashok Kumar Yadav, Sr. S.C.-I

04/Dated: 28.09.2026

1. Heard Mr Ashok Kumar Yadav, learned Sr. S.C.-I for the appellants.

2. I.A. No. 3869 of 2025 seeks condonation of delay of 228 days in filing the accompanying appeal.

3. In I.A. No. 3862 of 2025 filed in L.P.A. No. 516 of 2025, similar delay was not condoned. The reasons set out in I.A. No. 3862 of 2025 and the reasons set out in this I.A. are almost identical.

4. Therefore, by following our order dated 21.09.2026 dismissing I.A. No. 3862 of 2025 in L.P.A. No. 516 of 2025, we dismiss the present I.A.

5. Mr Yadav, however pointed out that this Court, by its order dated 06.10.2025 in L.P.A. Nos. 277 of 2023 and 356 of 2023 has accepted the appellant's case that no regularisation can be granted in Government departments for employees working in District Rural Development Agency (DRDA). He therefore, submitted that if the delay is not condoned or if this appeal is not allowed, there would be contradictory orders.

6. This submission is quite unfortunate because this was a very submission made and considered by us in our order dated 21.09.2026. Therein, we had pointed out how the issue involved in L.P.A. No. 516 of 2025 was quite different from the issue involved in L.P.A. No. 277 of 2023. The same reasoning applies to the present L.P.A. and therefore, by adopting the said

reasoning, we see no good ground to take any different view in this matter.

7. Accordingly, by adopting our reasoning in the order dated 21.09.2026 disposing of I.A. No. 3862 of 2025 in L.P.A. No. 516 of 2025, we dismiss this I.A. and the accompanying appeal. No costs.

8. Other pending Interlocutory Applications, if any, do not survive and are disposed of.

(M. S. Sonak, C.J.)

(Manoj Prasad, J.)

September 28, 2026

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