IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P.(S) No. 3795 of 2022

1.Suresh Prasad, aged about 70 years, son of Late Ramdeo Prasad Singh, resident of Flat No.3B, Sikta Apartment, East Jail Road, P.O.-G.P.O., P.S.-Lalpur, District-Ranchi;

2.Harendra Singh, aged about 72 years, son of Late Ram Pujan Singh, resident of Quarter No.SW-16, Bariatu Housing Colony, P.O.-RIMS, P.S.-Bariatu, District-Ranchi;

3.Mahanand Singh, aged about 66 years, son of Late Nirpat Singh, resident of Village & Post-Parsabad, P.O. & P.S.-Jai Nagar, District-Koderma;

4. Sudhir Kumar Verma, aged about 63 years, son of Late Satya Naryan Verma, resident of C/o Alok Ranjan Srivastava, Kamla Sarjug Mark, New Saket Nagar, P.O.-Hinoo, P.S.-Doranda, District-Ranchi;

5. Ram Krishna Thakur, aged about 63 years, son of Late Jay Naryan Thakur, resident of House No.B-16, Basant Vihar, Dumardaga, P.O.-Booty, P.S.-Sadar, District-Ranchi. …… Petitioner

Versus

1. State of Jharkhand; through the Principal Secretary, Department of Home, Jail and Disaster Management, Government of Jharkhand, Project Bhawan, 2nd Floor, HEC, P.O. & P.S.-Dhurwa, District-Ranchi;
2. Principal Secretary, Department of Home, Jail and Disaster Management, Government of Jharkhand, Project Bhawan, 2nd Floor, HEC, P.O. & P.S.-Dhurwa, District-Ranchi;
3. Secretary, Department of Home, Jail and Disaster Management, Government of Jharkhand, Project Bhawan, 2nd Floor, HEC, P.O. & P.S.-Dhurwa, District-Ranchi;
4. Divisional Fire Station Officer, Jharkhand, Ranchi, Doranda, P.O. & P.S.-Doranda, District-Ranchi;
5. Principal Accountant General (A & E), office of the Principal Accountant General, Jharkhand, Ranchi, North Office Para, Shyamali Colony, Doranda, P.O. & P.S.-Doranda, District-Ranchi. … … Respondents

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CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK ROSHAN

For the Petitioner : Mr. Pandey Neeraj Rai, Adv.
For the Res.-State : Mr. Mirnal Kanti Roy, G.A-I

06/01.05.2026

The instant writ application has been preferred by the petitioners for the following relief:-

(i) commanding upon the respondents to remove/rectify pay-anomaly which happened during the currency of 5th Pay Revision by wrongly fixing pay scale of Rs.5,000-8,000/- instead of the correct scale of Rs.5,500-9,000/-;

(ii) directing the respondents to make payment of arrears of salary to the petitioners in terms of the pay-scale of Rs.5,500-9,000/-;

(iii) pass an appropriate order of interest @ 12% p.a. on the unpaid amount from the date it became due with cost.

2. From the prayer itself it appears that the grievance of the petitioner is with regard to 5th pay revision which happened in the year 1999 with effect from 01.01.1996; however, the petitioners filed the instant writ application on 05.08.2022. Accordingly, solely on the ground of delay and latches, this Court does not want to issue any direction upon the respondents. However, if the petitioners so choose, they may approach the concerned respondent.

3. It is made clear that this Court has not given any finding on the merits of the case, but the instant application is dismissed only on the ground of delay and latches.

4. As a result, the instant writ application stands dismissed. Pending I.A.s if any, also stands closed.

(**Deepak Roshan, J.**)

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