IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P.(S) No. 7031 of 2026

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Nanhaka Manjhi son of Late Budhan Manjhi aged about 75 years Resident of Village-Jharkadih, Maheshmarva, Dhanwar, P.O.-Doranda, P.S.-Dhanwar, District-Giridih, Jharkhand-825412 **.....Petitioner**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand, through Chief Secretary, having its office at Project Building, P.O. & P.S. Dhurwa, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand-834004
2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Jharkhand, Project Building, P.O. & P.S. Dhurwa, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand-834004
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Government of Jharkhand Van Bhawan, P.O. & P.S. Doranda, District-Ranchi, Jharkhand-834002.
4. The Regional Chief Conservator of Forest, Van Bhawan, Purulia Road, P.O. & P.S.-Chas, District-Bokaro, Jharkhand-827013.
5. The Conservator of Forest, Van Bhawan, Purulia Road, P.O. & P.S.-Chas, District-Bokaro, Jharkhand-827013.
6. The Divisional Forest Office, Van Bhawan, Purulia Road, P.O. & P.S.-Chas, District-Bokaro, Jharkhand-827013.

...Respondents

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CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK ROSHAN**

For the Petitioner(s) : M/s. Azam, Sushmita Kumari, Afaque Rashidi, Advocates
For the Respondents : A.C to S.C(L&C)-II

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02/15.09.2026 The instant writ application has been preferred by the petitioner for the following reliefs:

> *(i) For issuance of an appropriate writ/writs, order/orders or direction/directions commanding the Respondents, particularly Respondent Nos. 3 to 6, to grant to the petitioner the benefits of Assured Career Progression (ACP) and Modified Assured Career Progression (MACP) on the ground that the petitioner entered service on 04.06.1974 after superannuation on 28.02.2011 in view of rendering continuous satisfactory service of 36 years, 8 months and 24 days;*
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> *(ii) For issuance of an appropriate writ/writs, order/orders or direction/directions commanding Respondent Nos. 5 and 6 to consider and dispose of the representation dated 10.03.2016 (Annexure-1) and the representation dated 14.05.2026 (Annexure-3) preferred by the petitioner seeking grant of ACP and MACP benefits upon completion of 12 years and*

24 years of service, respectively, by passing a reasoned and speaking order

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the instant application may be disposed of by directing the concerned respondent to take a decision in the matter.

3. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that since no counter affidavit has been filed; as such, the petitioner may approach the concerned respondent for redressal of his grievances.

4. Having regard to the above, the instant application is hereby disposed of by directing the respondent no. 3 to treat this writ application as representation and take a decision in the matter in accordance with law and applicable rules, within a period of 8 weeks.

5. It goes without saying that if the decision is taken in favour of the petitioner, necessary consequential benefit be extended to him within a further period of 2 weeks.

The petitioner shall serve copy of the writ application to the 3rd Respondent along with copy of this order for early disposal of his claim.

(Deepak Roshan, J.)

15th September, 2026
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