



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**  
**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.5989 of 2026**

Chandan Kumar Tiwary @ Chandan Kumar Tiwari Son of Sri Ramjee Tiwary, Resident of House No.- 01, C/o Upendra Dubey, Sanjay Nagar, Road No.- 04, Postal Park, Post- G.P.O, P.S.- Jakanpur, District Patna, Bihar - 800001.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through its Home Secretary, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Home Secretary, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The District Magistrate, District- Patna, Bihar.
4. The Commissioner, District- Patna, Bihar.
5. The Additional District Magistrate (Arms), District- Patna, Bihar.
6. The District Arms Magistrate, District- Patna, Bihar.
7. The Senior Superintendent of Police, District- Patna, Bihar.
8. The Sub Divisional Police Officer, Sadar, District- Patna, Bihar.
9. The Station Head Officer, Jakanpur Police Station, District- Patna, Bihar

... .. Respondent/s

**Appearance :**

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Apurva Kumar, Advocate  
For the Respondent/s : Mr. Standing Counsel 5  
Mr. Kumar Pankaj, AC to SC-5

**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE AJIT KUMAR**  
**ORAL ORDER**

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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 handgun (rifle) 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 Magistrate, Patna, which is appended to the writ application as Annexure-P/1. 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 31.11.2021, 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 Magistrate, Patna , 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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