



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.19159 of 2025

Chandrabala Rani @ Chandrawala Rani wife of Bhola Bhagat Resident of Ward No 11, Dhaneshwari, Post- Mangalwar Chareiya, P.S.- Bhargama, District- Araria, Bihar - 854102, Presently posted as Block Teacher, Middle School, Bhargama, Block - Bhargama, District - Araria.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Principal Secretary, Department of Education, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Director, Primary Education, Department of Education, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The District Education Officer, Araria
4. The District Programme Officer (Establishment), Araria
5. The Block Education Officer, Bhargama, District - Araria
6. The Block Development officer-cum-Member Secretary, Block Teacher Recruitment Committee, Bhargama.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Ms. Ankita Roy, Adv
For the Respondent/s	:	Mr. Mujtabul Haque, Government Pleader (12)
		Mr. Pranoy Kumar, AC to GP12

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ALOK KUMAR SINHA
ORAL ORDER

2 26-11-2025 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the respondent-State.

2. With the consent of both the parties, this writ application is being disposed of at this stage itself.

3. In the present writ application, the petitioner has prayed for the grant of following reliefs:

(i) For issuance of an appropriate





writ(s), order(s) or direction(s), more particularly in the nature of mandamus, commanding the respondents to release the full salary of the petitioner for the period commencing from 05.10.2021 till 30.12.2023, treating the said period as on duty, as the petitioner, who has been serving as a Block Teacher under Bhargama Block, District Araria, was honourably acquitted of all criminal charges by the judgment dated 25.11.2023 passed in Sessions Trial Case No. 97 of 2022 arising out of Bhargama P.S. Case No., and was subsequently reinstated to her post by the direction of the District Education Officer, Araria, contained in letter no. 207 dated 31.01.2024, without any departmental proceeding or disciplinary action ever being initiated against her, and further to grant all consequential monetary and service benefits flowing therefrom, as also any other relief or reliefs as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the case.

4. After advancing some argument, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that for the reliefs claimed for in the present writ application, the petitioner has already filed a representation dated 24.09.2025 vide Annexure- P/3 before the





District Education Officer, Araria (respondent no. 3), which is still pending. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that he would be satisfied if an appropriate direction be issued by this Court to the District Education Officer, Araria to dispose of the representation of the petitioner on merit after giving an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, within a fixed time frame by passing a reasoned and speaking order.

5. To the aforesaid prayer being made by learned counsel for the petitioner, learned counsel appearing for the respondent-State does not have any objection.

6. Considering the limited nature of prayer being made by learned counsel for the petitioner, this writ application is disposed of directing the District Education Officer, Araria (respondent no. 3) to dispose of the representation filed by the petitioner dated 24.09.2025 vide Annexure- P/3 on merit after giving an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, within six months from the date of production of a copy of this order by the petitioner. Needless to emphasize that the final order which shall be passed by the District Education Officer, Araria (respondent no. 3) should be a reasoned and speaking order. In case, the petitioner is found entitled to the relief, the same shall be extended to the petitioner within a further period of three





months from the date of passing of the final order.

7. With the aforesaid observation/direction, this writ application is disposed of. All pending interlocutory application(s), if any, shall also be deemed to have been disposed of.

(Alok Kumar Sinha, J)

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