

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P.(S) No. 1687 of 2026

Ram Kishore Prasad, son of late Suresh Sharma, resident of Mohalla-OTC Ground, Piska More, P.O Hehal, P.S.- Sukhdeo Nagar, District-Ranchi.
.. Petitioner(s)

-Versus-

1. The State of Jharkhand, through the Secretary/Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, office at Project Building, Dhurwa, Ranchi.
2. The Deputy Secretary to the Government, Department of Finance, Govt. of Jharkhand, office at Project Building, Dhurwa, Ranchi.
3. The Special Secretary-cum-Conducting Officer (Enquiry Officer) Finance Department, Govt. of Jharkhand, office at Project Building, Dhurwa, Ranchi.
...Respondent(s)

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the petitioner(s): M/s Shivani Bhardwaj, Shubham Kumar &
Karamjit Singh Chhabra, Advocates.
For the State Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh, A.C. to SC (L&C)-III

02/17.03.2026: Heard the parties.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is absolutely innocent, rather his password and I.D. have been used by Computer Operator.

3. After hearing the parties, I am not inclined to interfere with the Departmental Proceeding and quash the same, as the same is still pending. The issue, which the petitioner is raising and the question of fact which needs to be proved/disproved by adducing evidences, is to be looked into by the Disciplinary Authority during the proceeding.

4. It has been brought to the notice of this Court that the Departmental Proceeding is pending since more than a year as the charge has been framed on 21st February, 2025. Thus, I direct the Disciplinary Authority to conclude the enquiry at the earliest, preferably within a period of six months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

5. Accordingly, this petition stands **disposed of**.

17th March, 2026.
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(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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