

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
WP(S) No.1192 of 2026

Bharti Sona Sandil

... **Petitioner(s).**

Versus

The State of Jharkhand and Others

... **Respondent(s).**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Ms. Nirupama, Advocate

For the State : Mr. Aman Kumar, AC to SC-VI

02 /24.02.2026: It is the grievance of the petitioner that she has been singled out and the contract of the petitioner has not been extended on the frivolous ground, though there are other contractual employees in the department. She further submits that since the petitioner is a lady and was in the family way, considering the aforesaid fact, though not recorded in the impugned order, contract has not been extended.

2. What the petitioner has argued, thus is of serious consequence.

3. Thus, I direct the Principal Secretary, Drinking Water and Sanitation Division to file an affidavit informing this Court the following:

(i) In the department how many computer operator are working on the contractual basis

(ii) Specifically in Jamshedpur whether there is any computer operator working on contractual basis or not, as on date

(ii) Contract of how many contractual employee along with the petitioner has been cancelled.

4. List this case after three weeks under the heading for “Orders” to explore as to whether this case can be disposed of at the stage of “Orders” itself or not.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)