

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P.(S). No. 2882 of 2026

Helena Marandi, aged about 49 years, wife of Thakur Soren, resident
of Digdhi Banjhi Bazar, P.O. Banjhi Bazar, P.S. Borio(J), Dist.
Sahibganj, Jharkhand. **Petitioner**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand through the Secretary, Welfare Department, Govt. of Jharkhand, having its office at Project Building, H.E.C. Dhurwa, P.O. Dhurwa, P.S. Jagarnathpur, Dist. Ranchi, Jharkhand.
2. The Director, Welfare Department, Govt. of Jharkhand, having its office at Project Building, H.E.C. Dhurwa, P.O. Dhurwa, P.S. Jagarnathpur, Dist. Ranchi, Jharkhand.
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Sahibganj, P.O. Sahibganj, P.S. Sahibganj, Dist. Sahibganj, Jharkhand.
4. The District Social Welfare Officer, Sahibganj, P.O., P.S. & Dist. Sahibganj, Jharkhand.
5. The District Social Welfare Officer, Hazaribag, P.O., P.S. & Dist. Hazaribag, Jharkhand.
6. Director, Intergrated Tribal Development Agency (I.T.D.A.), Sahibganj, P.O. Sahibganj, P.S. Sahibganj, Dist. Sahibganj, Jharkhand. **Respondents.**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK ROSHAN

For the Petitioner : Mr. Lalit Kr. Singh, Advocate
Ms. Saba Ali, Advocate
For the Resp.-State : Ms. Deepika Jojowar, AC to SC-VI
Mr. Rituraj, AC to SC-VI

02/ 28.04.2026 The instant application has been preferred by the petitioner for following reliefs:

- (a) For issuance of writ/s, order/s or direction/s in the nature of Mandamus commanding upon the respondents authorities to consider the case/representation of the petitioner in respect of grant of 1st and 2nd A.C.P./ M.A.C.P. (Assured Career Progression/ Modified Assured Career Progression) in the light of A.C.P./M.A.C.P. schemes (after completion of 12/24 years and 10/20/30 years of regular service) w.e.f. 01.09.2008 and 01.09.2018 respectively, in view of the fact that the husband of the petitioner was died on 21.03.2020 in harness after completing about 22 years of continuous service in this regard.*
- (b) Be pleased to issue a further writ/s, order/s or direction/s in the nature of Mandamus commanding upon the concerned respondent authorities after granting the benefits of A.C.P./ M.A.C.P. revise the salary which is admissible and the Family Pension of the petitioner and make the payment of entire consequential benefits which accrue after granting the benefits of A.C.P./ M.A.C.P.*

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is a widow of erstwhile employee, who has been denied the benefits of

1st and 2nd ACP upon completion of the petitioner's requisite length of service; as such, learned counsel submits that the instant application may be disposed of by giving liberty to the petitioner to approach respondent No. 2 so that he can pass an appropriate order as per the applicable rules and regulations and settled principle of law.

3. Learned counsel for the respondents submits that though no counter-affidavit has been filed, however, the case may be disposed of by giving liberty to the petitioner to file representation before the respondent No. 2.

4. Having regard to the aforesaid facts and circumstances, the instant writ application is hereby disposed of by directing the petitioner to file fresh representation before the respondent No. 2.

5. The moment the respondent No. 2 will receive any such representation, he shall take a decision, after verification of records which is lying before the respondent No. 5, by passing a reasoned and speaking order in accordance with law and applicable rules and regulations with regard to ACP/MACP benefits, within a period of 12 weeks from the date of receipt of such representation.

6. It goes without saying that if the decision is favourable; the consequential benefits shall be extended to the petitioner within a further period of 4 weeks.

7. With the aforesaid observations and directions, the writ petition stands disposed of

(Deepak Roshan, J.)

28th April, 2026

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