

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P(PIL) No.2253 of 2024

Padma Baraik **Petitioner**
Versus
The State of Jharkhand and others **Respondents**

CORAM: HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUJIT NARAYAN PRASAD

For the Petitioner : In person
Mr. Sumeet Gadodia, *Amicus*
Mrs. Shilpi Sandil Gadodia, Advocate
Ms. Shruti Shekhar, Advocate
Ms. Sanya Kumari, Advocate
For the Resp.-State : Mr. Gaurav Raj, AC to AAG-II

Order No.20/Dated: 28th July, 2025

1. We have perused the affidavit dated 01.05.2025 filed by the State wherein it has been stated that One Stop Centers are functional in all the 24 districts in the State of Jharkhand in which a range of service to the women survivors of violence under one roof as medical assistance, legal support, police assistance along with the psychological counseling and a shelter for a short period of 10 days are being provided.
2. This Court has confronted with the learned State counsel regarding one instance of the rape survivor in the district of Ranchi. The incidence is that when the incidence of one rape survivor was intimated to the Jharkhand State Legal Services Authority, Ranchi (in short, JHALSA), then the learned Member Secretary, JHALSA has approached to the Secretary, Department of Women, Child Development and Social Security, Government of Jharkhand for her accommodation in any shelter home, but the answer was given to her that there is no such facility available for the rape survivor who is having more than the age of 18 years.
3. This Court, therefore, has thought it proper to call upon a report from the learned Member Secretary, JHALSA so that the same be replied by the State.

4. Let such report be furnished by the learned Member Secretary, JHALSA within a week.
5. The State shall also inform the status of all the pending cases relating to the petitioner by the next date of hearing.
6. List this case on 04.08.2025.
7. Let a copy of this order be transmitted to the learned Member Secretary, JHALSA through 'Fax'.

(Tarlok Singh Chauhan, C.J.)

(Sujit Narayan Prasad, J.)

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