

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

[Civil Writ Jurisdiction]

W.P.(C) No. 1791 of 2010

Dr. (Smt.) Shashi Lal Petitioner(s)

Versus

Jharkhand State Housing Board & Ors. respondent(s)

With

W.P.(C) No. 2099 of 2008

Rajendra Ram Petitioner(s)

Versus

The State of Jharhand & Ors. respondent(s)

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CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KAILASH PRASAD DEO

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For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Ankit Kumar, Advocate [WP(C) 1791/2010]

Mr. Janak Kumar Mishra, Advocate [W.P.(C)2099 of 2008]

For the respondent(s)/State : Mr. Achyut Keshav, G.P.I [WP(C) 1791/2010]

Mr. Prakash Chandra Roy, S.C. (L&C)-I

Mr. Nawal Kishor Pandey, AC to S.C. (L&C)-I

[WP(C) 2099/2008]

For the Resp. /JSHB : Mr. Sachin Kumar, Advocate [In both the cases]

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14/12.05.2022. Heard, learned counsel for the parties.

It appears that the order dated 21.03.2022 passed by this Court has not been complied with. Thereafter to defy the Court' order dated 21.03.2022 as well as order dated 09.05.2022, a stand has been taken by the State that Letters Patent Appeal has been filed by the State before this Court on 09.05.2022.

This Court is displeased with the conduct of the Principal Secretary, [Mrs. Vandana Dadel, W/o Sanjay I. Bara], Cabinet Secretariat and Vigilance Department, Government of Jharkhand as it seems that Cabinet Secretariat and Vigilance Department has become defunct in the State of Jharkhand.

Recently, a raid was conducted by the Enforcement Directorate, Government of India in the premises of conduit of a senior bureaucrat of the State and the same resulted into recovery of huge accumulated wealth of about Rs.19 Crore from her conduit. Apart from that vide order passed by the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court, investigation of National Games has been referred to the Central Bureau of Investigation because of no progress in the investigation by the Cabinet Vigilance for long 12 years.

Office is directed to issue notice to Principal Secretary, [Mrs. Vandana Dadel, W/o Sanjay I. Bara], Cabinet Secretariat and Vigilance Department, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi as to why the contempt proceeding be not initiated against her for non-compliance of the order dated 21.03.2022 passed by this Court [which has been communicated on 22.03.2022] granting her time to file her show cause by 06.06.2022.

The concerned Officer must explain before this Court that why proceeding be not initiated against her because of her inefficiency, dereliction of duty and

disrespect towards Court's order as well as in enquiring about the officer concern with regard to accumulated assets to make the things transparent, in accordance with law and why the matter be not referred to Central Bureau of investigation, as recently because of latches on the part of Cabinet Vigilance, the Enforcement Directorate, Government of India has to enter into the shoes of the Cabinet Vigilance for Senior Bureaucrat(s).

Let a copy of this order be communicated to the Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand and the Principal Secretary, [Mrs. Vandana Dadel, W/o Sanjay I. Bara], Cabinet Secretariat and Vigilance Department, Government of Jharkhand as well as the Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India, New Delhi through FAX or e-mail at once.

List this case on 09.06.2022.

(Kailash Prasad Deo, J.)

Sandeep/