

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

Case:- WP(C) No.137/2023

Abdul Hamid

....Petitioner(s)/Appellant(s)

Through: Mr. S. H. Shah Ashrafi, Advocate.

Vs

UT of J&K and Ors.

.....Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Nazia Fazal, Advocate vice
Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG

Coram: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAHUL BHARTI, JUDGE

ORDER
(21.07.2025)

1. Writ petition-WP(C) No.137/2023 preferred by the applicant/petitioner came to suffer dismissal for non-prosecution in terms of an order dated 15.04.2025, when this Court, taking notice of non-appearance of the petitioner as well as his counsel on the last date of hearing which was 07.02.2025, came to order dismissal for non-prosecution.
2. An application has now come to be filed on behalf of the petitioner for restoration of the writ petition-WP(C) No.137/2023 to its original number.
3. The application came to be filed on 07.05.2025 i.e. within a period of 30 days prescribed for filing of an application seeking restoration of a petition dismissed for non-prosecution.

4. The reasons stated in the restoration application are personal to the learned counsel for the petitioner citing that on the date of absence, the learned counsel was out of station due to demise of his near relative.
5. The cause set up in the application does not fully explain the context as to who was the near relative demising and when and where the death of that relative took place for the learned counsel to be out of Jammu on 07.02.2025.
6. Learned counsel for the petitioner has taken it as a matter of right to coin a casual cause but this Court, in furtherance of its inherent trust in the words of an advocate who is reckoned to be an officer of the court, is inclined to accept the cause as it is, and, therefore, accepts the application.
7. WP (C) No. 137/2023 is restored to its original number with revival of interim directions, whatsoever is operating in the case.
8. List main petition –WP(C) No.137/2023 on **08.09.2025**.

(RAHUL BHARTI)
JUDGE

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