

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

Case:- WP(C) No. 233/2023

Tej Ram and others .....Appellant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Karan Sharma, Advocate.

**Vs**

UT of J&K and others ..... Respondent(s)

Through: Mrs. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG  
Mr. Ravinder Gupta, AAG.

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

**ORDER**  
**(23.05.2025)**

**1.** It appears that the responsibility to file reply to the writ petition filed by the petitioners has been literally abandoned at the end of the respondents No. 2, 5 & 6 and squarely put unto the shoulders of the respondents No. 3 & 4 as if replying to the writ petition, it is none of the concern of the respondents No. 2, 5 & 6.

**2.** The subject matter of the writ petition is related to the concerns of the Chief Engineer PW (R&B), Department and his subordinate officials/officers who are respondents No. 5 & 6.

**3.** The cause of action of the writ petition relates to the situation of 2013 or even prior to that in the context of submergence of habitations at Dharamkund in village Kanga, tehsil and district Ramban under the Sawalakote Hydro Electric Project.

4. Till date from the date of institution of the writ petition which came to take place on 06.02.2023, the respondents No. 2, 5 & 6 have not bother to come up with the response to the writ petition.
5. Let the response be filed on behalf of respondents No. 2, 5 & 6 by or before the next date of hearing.
6. List on 21.07.2025.

**(RAHUL BHARTI)**  
**JUDGE**

**JAMMU**  
**23.05.2025**  
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