



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

WP(C) No. 774/2023

Inhabitants of Village Gam Ramban and ...Petitioner(s)/Appellant(s)
anr.

Through: Mr. RKS Thakur, Adv.

v/s

UT of J&K and others

.... Respondent(s)

Through: Ms. Monika Kohli, Sr. AAG

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNESH OSWAL, JUDGE

ORDER
26.09.2025

1. The present petition has been filed by the petitioners for quashing nomination/appointment of respondent No. 5 as Lambardar of Village Gam, Tehsil and District Ramban on the ground that the appointment of respondent No. 5 has been made without following the provisions of the J&K Lambardari Act 1972 and the Rules framed thereunder. Further direction has also been sought to be issued to the official respondents to conduct the elections of Lambardar of aforesaid village under the aforesaid Act as well as the Rules.
2. Response has been filed by the respondents stating therein that keeping in view of the resolution of the concerned panchayat, higher education and young age, the name of Bir Singh respondent No. 5 herein was proposed for temporary appointment of Lambardar Gam for a period of six months.



3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition be disposed of with a direction to the official respondents to conduct the election for the post of Lambardar for the aforesaid village within a stipulated time frame. Ms. Kohli is not averse to the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioners.
4. With the consent of learned counsel for the parties, the present petition is disposed of by directing the official respondents to hold elections for the post of Lambardar of Village Gam, Tehsil and District Ramban within a period of three months from the date a certified copy of this order is made available to the respondents and till then, the operation of order dated 06.04.2023 of this Court shall continue. However, it shall not come in the way of the official respondents to do the needful in the aforesaid period.
5. Disposed of.

(RAJNESH OSWAL)
JUDGE

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