

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

WP(C) No. 2138/2022  
CM No. 5797/2022

Abdul Rehman

....Petitioner/Appellant(s)

Through :- Mr. Supreet R S Johal, Advocate.

V/s

UT of J&K & ors.

....Respondent(s)

Through :- None.

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

**ORDER**  
**14.10.2022**

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

The status of the petitioner working as Gram Rozgar Sevak (GRS) under MGNREGA Scheme is continued to be confirmed as latest on 16.03.2022 in terms of the communication of the Block Development Officer Dali-Udhyampur to the Assistant Commissioner Development, Doda. On the other hand by reference to the impugned order dated 09.08.2018 read with order dated 29.06.2021, the petitioner's status as Gram Rozgar Sevak is purported to have come to an end on the pretext that in terms of impugned order dated 09.08.2018 issued by the Secretary to Government Department of Rural Development and Panchayati Rad, Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir, the cases of contractual engagements under MGNREGA were sought to be put to disengagement.

The petitioner has referred to number of court orders passed in response to the writ petitions filed by him at relevant points of time concerning

the status of the petitioner as well as working as Gram Rozgar Sevak pursuant to the original engagement of the petitioner in terms order dated 01.09.2010.

Prima facie case is made out as notwithstanding issuance of impugned order dated 29.06.2021 by the Block Development Officer Dali-Udhyanpur (Doda), as the petitioner was working as Gram Rozgar Sevak even uptill March, 2022 though without earning due honorarium w.e.f. January, 2019 till March, 2022.

Issue notice to the respondents returnable within six weeks.

Petitioners to furnish registered postal covers for service of respondents within seven days.

List the matter on 08.12.2022.

In the meantime, the status of the petitioner as Gram Rozgar Sevak shall not be effected by reference to operation of the impugned order dated 29.06.2021 issued by the respondent no. 5- Block Development Officer Dali-Udhyanpur (Doda) till next date of hearing.

**(Rahul Bharti)**  
**Judge**

JAMMU  
14.10.2022  
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