

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

WP (C) No. 2451/2021 c/w
CCP (S) No. 59/2023

Banarasi Lal Sharma

.....Applicant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through :- Mr. J S Jasrotia, Advocate

v/s

UT of J & K & Ors.

.....Respondent(s)

Through :- Mr. Raman Sharma, AAG with
Ms. Jagmeet Kour, Advocate
Mr. Anuj Sawhney, Advocate

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MOKSHA KHAJURIA KAZMI, JUDGE

ORDER
17.12.2025

1. This Court, vide order dated 26.11.2025, directed the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioner for release of admitted liability to be paid to the petitioner in accordance with the supply order, whereafter a detailed order was directed to be passed, taking into account the record of Respondent No. 5.
2. Compliance report dated 16.12.2025 stands filed on behalf of Respondent No. 2, wherein it is stated that in compliance of the order (supra), Directorate of Rural Development Jammu had sought record from the Respondent No. 5. However, the said respondent failed to submit any original/authenticated copies of supply orders, invoices or delivery challans to the concerned Directorate or the BDO, which resulted into non filing of the compliance report before this Court.
3. It is further stated in the compliance report (supra) that the case of the applicant has been accorded consideration and keeping in view

the above factual position, the claim of the applicant has been found devoid of merit, hence rejected.

4. This is quite a strange practice being adopted by Respondent No. 2 to reject the claim projected by the petitioner on account of the failure of Respondent No. 5 to furnish original/authenticated copies of supply orders, invoices or delivery challans. How could the said respondent term the claim of the petitioner “being devoid of any merit”, when he did not have any document before him concerning the claim of the petitioner.
5. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the documents referred in the compliance report dated 16.12.2025 are already placed on record with the petition.
6. In the aforesaid backdrop, Respondent No. 2 is directed to appear before this Court on the next date of hearing, either in person or through virtual mode.
7. List on **11.02.2026**.
8. Meanwhile, office of the Respondent No. 5 is directed to provide authenticated copies of supply orders, invoices or delivery challans to the office of Respondent No. 2, against proper receipt, within a period of two weeks, with further direction to Ms. Jagmeet Kour to file fresh compliance.

(Moksha Khajuria Kazmi)
Judge

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