



RAJASTHAN HIGH COURT  
**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN**  
**JODHPUR**  
सत्यमेव जयते

D.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 17245/2023

Gulab Chand Meena

-----Petitioner

Versus

Secretary

-----Respondent



For Petitioner(s) : None present  
For Respondent(s) : Mr. S.S. Ladrecha, AAG with  
Mr. Ravindra Jala  
Ms. Anjali Rajoria, District Collector,  
Pratapgarh, present through V.C.

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MUNNURI LAXMAN**  
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI CHIRANIA**  
**Order**

**25/07/2025**

In pursuance of the oral directions in the morning session, the District Collector, Pratapgarh is present through video conferencing. However, the Principal Secretary, expressed inability to make a presence by virtual mode on account of some unfortunate instance happened in District Jhalawar.

The present PIL is filed seeking certain directions from this Court, more particularly regarding deficiencies in 11 schools of Dhariyabad with regard to infrastructure as well as the teaching staff.

As seen from the data furnished by the respondents in pursuance of the present Public Interest Litigation, when looking at almost 50% of the vacancies remaining unfilled, the schools are being run with less than 50% of sanctioned strength of teachers, and it is not known what further steps have been taken for the last two years to remove the deficiencies pointed out in their own data filed along with the reply.



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This Court feels that immediate steps are required to be taken to rectify the deficiencies which have been pointed out, and the District Collector and the Principal Secretary shall file a detailed affidavit giving the details of steps taken and what improvements they have made over the last two years.

Insofar as the deficiencies with regard to the infrastructure, more particularly about toilets, they shall also file digital photographs of the work undertaken in these two years, apart from the affidavit. The Principal Secretary shall also explain what steps have been taken to fill the vacancies which have remained vacant for long time. Such affidavit and photographs shall be filed within a period of two weeks.

As per the statements made by the District Collector by virtual mode, she made a request to the Finance Department for granting funds so that they can undertake certain arrangements and activities to remove the deficiencies with regard to infrastructure; however, it appears that no action has been taken thereon.

Therefore, we also direct the Finance Department to consider request of the District Collector for release of funds so that the District Collector may proceed further.

Steps taken shall also be made part of the affidavit in this regard.

Post the matter on 12.08.2025.

**(RAVI CHIRANIA), J**

**(MUNNURI LAXMAN), J**

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