



HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

WRIT - C No. - 40200 of 2025

Shivanki

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

Union Of India And 2 Others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s)	:	Gyanendra Kumar Saini, Sheikh Moazzam Inam
Counsel for Respondent(s)	:	A.S.G.I., Rajesh Tripathi

Court No. - 35

(SL No.8)

**HON'BLE ATUL SREEDHARAN, J.
HON'BLE ANISH KUMAR GUPTA, J.**

1. Copy of the instructions issued by learned counsel for the State is taken on record.
2. Though, the State Government is not a party, however, the documents issued by the Department on the basis of the instructions dated 17.11.2025, which is submitted by the Deputy Director, UIDAI Regional Office Lucknow, which has annexed two birth certificates of the petitioner, both issued by the Registrar of Births and Deaths, but at two different places: one from the Gram Panchayat at Har Singhpur and the other at the Primary Health Center, Manauta.
3. The birth certificate issued by the Registrar of Births and Deaths from the Primary Health Center at Manauta shows the date of birth of the petitioner as 10.12.2007, issued and registered on 21.08.2020. The second certificate shows the date of registration as 14.11.2022, issued by the Gram Panchayat, Harsinghpur, which shows the date of birth as 01.01.2005, and the date of registration as 14.11.2022.
4. *Prima facie*, it's a mess. It appears that anyone at any point of time can get a date of birth certificate issued with whichever date they want from wherever in the State. In one way, this shows the extent of dishonesty existing at all levels, and how easy it is to get these documents made which can be used as strong *prima facie* evidence of the facts stated therein, even for criminal prosecutions.
5. In order to clarify the situation, the Principal Secretary, Department of Medical and Health, which department is in-charge of issuing these certificates, is called upon to file a detailed affidavit and give an explanation regarding the state of affairs existing in his department, specifically in relation to the issuance of birth certificates. He shall also state on record the steps or provisions existing to ensure that no fraudulent

certificates can be issued by the department. For as on date, it appears that anyone at any point of time can get any kind of birth certificate with any date on it issued from any of the centers in the State. If the system is broken, he shall also suggest what steps the department proposes to take forthwith to rectify this anomaly existing in the system and ensure that only one birth certificate is ever issued.

6. Put up this case on **10.12.2025** as **fresh** along with the affidavit.

7. The Principal Secretary, Department of Medical and Health, is directed to be impleaded as respondent no.4. Sri Manoj Kumar takes notice on behalf of respondent no.4.

(Anish Kumar Gupta,J.) (Atul Sreedharan,J.)

November 18, 2025
Shubham Arya