

Court No. - 21

Case :- PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 2123 of 2022

Petitioner :- Sachidanand

Respondent :- State of U.P. and Another

Counsel for Petitioner :- Shardendu Mishra, Jai Shankar Mishra

Counsel for Respondent :- C.S.C.

Hon'ble Manoj Kumar Gupta, J.

Hon'ble Syed Qamar Hasan Rizvi, J.

Heard Sri Shardendu Mishra for the petitioner and learned Standing Counsel for the State respondent.

The present petition, filed in public interest, raises issues relating to reforms in jails and the manner in which jails are being administered. It is alleged that jail officials posted in different jails in the State have not been transferred in some cases for more than seven years. In few cases, despite transfer orders having already been passed several years back, the incumbents had not been relieved for reasons best known to the respondents, leading to unfair practices and corruption.

A counter affidavit has been filed in the instant case by the Senior Superintendent, Central Jail, Naini, wherein it is sought to be explained how the transfer policy is being implemented. However, we do not find the affidavit to be satisfactory and therefore require the Director General (Prisons), U.P., Lucknow to examine all the issues raised in the writ petition and file his affidavit covering all the issues on or before the next date.

List on 23.3.2023.

Sri Santosh Kumar Srivastava, learned Standing Counsel, undertakes to communicate the instant order to the concerned for necessary compliance.

(Syed Qamar Hasan Rizvi, J.) (Manoj Kumar Gupta, J.)

Order Date :- 24.2.2023/Jaideep/-