



2022.JHC:39433

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P. (S) No. 4316 of 2022

Durgesh Kumar Ram & 12 Others.....

Petitioner(s)

Versus

The State of Jharkhand through the
Chief Secretary & Ors.....

Respondents

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Coram: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ananda Sen

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For the Petitioner

: Mr. Amritansh Vats, Advocate

Mr. Kunal Priyam, Advocate

For the Respondents

: Mr. M.K. Ekka, AC to SC-I

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4/25.11.2022 The petitioners, in this writ application, have prayed for a direction commanding upon the respondents to forthwith release the monthly wages/remuneration for the period of November 2021 to May, 2022 of the petitioners, who are daily-wage employees working on the post of Computer Operator/Data Entry Operator, in different Blocks of District of Lohardaga alongwith interest.

During course of argument, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that after the writ application was filed, the respondents woke up from slumber and made payment of the dues but without interest. He submits that the petitioners are poor persons and their legitimate remuneration was withheld for no fault on their part, which calls for awarding interest.

Considering the aforesaid submission, I direct the respondents to pay the interest on the amount of their wages/remunerations from November, 2021 to May, 2022, which was withheld by the respondents @ 7% Per Annum, within a period of six weeks from today.

With the aforesaid observation and direction, this writ application stands disposed of.

(Ananda Sen, J)