

Registrar(J)(Budget)

May kindly see the online reply dated 24.05.2024 received from Smt. Sonali Poonia, Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Baghpat, in compliance of order of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Om Prakash Shukla, the then Administrative Judge, Baghpat in the matter of property statement, communicated to the officer.

In this connection, it is submitted that earlier the officer had submitted her movable & immovable property statements of the financial years 2019-20 & 2020-21 which were put up before Hon'ble Administrative Judge, Baghpat through detailed online office note dated 29.05.2023 on which His Lordship has been pleased to pass the following online order dated 14.05.2024:

“Office has reported that there is delay in submitting the property statements from the part of Smt. Sonali Poonia, Civil Judge (Senior Div.), Baghpat, for which she has not given any reason of delay.

C.L. No. 16/IV-h-16/Admn(A) dated 13th May, 2004 (in continuation of Court's Circular Letter No. 63/IV-h/16/Admn-A Dated 10.12.1998) relates to submission of statements of movable and immovable property to be submitted by all the judicial officers. The Circular Letter provides “the judicial officers be now required to submit property statement at the time of entering the service and thereafter at the interval of two financial years i.e. in every third financial year.”

The Circular letter further imperatively requires all Judicial Officers posted in judgeship to ensure strict compliance of the above circular letter of the Hon'ble Court in the matter.

Let the officer explain the delay in filing the statement.

Office shall forthwith place the property statements of the officer after receipt of her explanation.”

The order of the Court had been communicated to the officer concerned on 14.05.2024.

The officer concerned has replied (in her verbatim) that *“Respected Sir, It is most respectfully submitted that I have submitted my property statement for the financial year 2019-2021 on 9.12.2021. However, an objection has been raised on the same stating that it has been submitted with delay without assigning any reason. Sir, as per the Circular Letter the judicial officers are required to submit property statement at the time of entering the service and thereafter at the interval of two financial years i.e. in every third financial year. And I have submitted my property statement for the financial year 2019-21 on 9.12.21 which is before the end of third financial year i.e before 31st March 2022. Sir, I have always made an effort to submit my property statements on time. However, if still the Hon'ble High Court considers that there has been delay on my part, I request the Hon'ble Court to kindly accept my apologies and take a generous view on the same.”*

May, therefore, if approved, reply of Court's order/compliance in the matter of property statements of the financial years 2019-20 & 2020-21, as desired by the Court in the matter, furnished by Smt. Sonali Poonia, Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate, Baghpat be laid before Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anish Kumar Gupta, Administrative Judge, Baghpat for His Lordship's kind perusal and orders?

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice Anish Kumar Gupta,
Administrative Judge, Baghpat

Submitted for kind perusal & orders?

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