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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P(C) No. 6247 of 2026

Hemant Kumar, S/o Sri liuleshwar Sahu, R/o Kuchhu, PO Kuchhu, PS Ormanjhi, District Ranchi

.... Petitioner(s).

Versus

1.The State of Jharkhand
2.The Deputy Commissioner, Ranchi
3.The Circle Officer, Ormanjhi, Ranchi
4.The Officer-in-Charge, Ormanjhi PO & PS Ormanjhi, District Ranchi

… Respondent(s).

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CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Ms. Niteshwari Kumari, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Ashutosh Anand, AAG-III

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02/ 17.08.2026: Heard, learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the State.

2. The petitioner is praying for a direction upon the respondents to initiate a proceeding to remove the alleged encroachment on 'Garimajurwa Malik Land' which is used by the petitioner and others.

3. For removal of this encroachment of the petitioner has approached this Court by invoking jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

4. Section 3 of the Jharkhand Public Land Encroachment Act provides for initiation of proceeding. As per Section 3 of the aforesaid Act any person can approach the Collector by filing application praying therein to remove the encroachment over the public land.

5. Since, the remedy is available to the petitioner and petitioner can invoke Section 3 of the said Act, I am not inclined to entertain the application under Article, 226 of the Constitution. The petitioner should approach the Collector by filing an application under Section 3 of the said Act.

6. Accordingly, this writ petition stands disposed of.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

17th August, 2026
R.S./S.K.C
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