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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH, BILASPUR**WPC No. 2531 of 2017**

Birendra Kumar Lala S/o V. K. Agrawal, Aged about 58 years R/o House No. 1, Happy Homes, Mahavir Nagar, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

---- Petitioner**Versus**

1. Union of India Through Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, New Delhi.
2. National Highway Authority of India, Through its Project Director, National Highway No. 43 (New National Highway No. 30), Dhamtari Jagdalpur, District- Bastar, Chhattisgarh.
3. Chief Engineer, Public Work Department, National Highway, Raipur Region, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
4. Sub Divisional Officer Revenue-Cum- Competent Authority/ Land Acquisition Officer (National Highway Acquisition), Jagdalpur, District Bastar, Chhattisgarh.

---- Respondents

For Petitioner : Mr. Ashish Suranan, Advocate.

For State : Mr. Arun Sao, Dy. Advocate General.

For Respondents : Mr. Rajesh K. Kesharwani and Smt. Fouzia Mirzya, Advocate for the respective respondents.

Hon'ble Shri Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal**Order On Board****12/09/17**

Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner's land has been acquired by the respondents No. 1 and 2, for the purpose of widening of National Highway No. 43 (new National Highway No. 30) in lieu of which no award has been passed and no amount of compensation has been paid to the petitioner till date and, therefore, directions may be issued to consider the same.

2. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner.
3. The prayer appears to be fair and reasonable and is accordingly allowed.
4. Be that as it may, the respondent No. 4- Land Acquisition Officer is directed to complete the acquisition proceedings and pass an award expeditiously determining the compensation amount to be paid to the petitioner, preferably within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of copy of this order.
5. With the aforesaid direction, the writ petition is finally disposed of.

SD/-

(Sanjay K. Agrawal)

Judge