

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.2795 of 2026

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1. Rana Saurav Son of Rana Uday Pratap Singh, Resident of Village- Jaiprakash Nagar Near Bishunpur Nala, P.S.- Dhanbad, District- Dhanbad, (Jharkhand).
 2. Rana Uday Pratap Singh, Son of Rana Ranvijay Pratap Singh, Resident of Village- Jaiprakash Nagar Near Bishunpur Nala, P.S.- Dhanbad, District- Dhanbad, (Jharkhand).

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar through the Secretary, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Bihar, Patna.
2. The Secretary, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Bihar, Patna.
3. The Director, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Bihar, Patna.
4. The District Magistrate, Patna.
5. The Mineral Development Officer, District Mining Office, Patna.
6. The Mining Inspector, District Mining Office, Patna.
7. The Officer-in-Charge, Bikram Police Station, Patna.

... .. Respondent/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s	:	Mr. Prashant Kumar, Advocate Mr. Manish Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondent/s	:	Mr. Pankaj Kumar, SC-12 Mr. Kamlesh Kishore AC to SC-12
For the Mines	:	Mr. Naresh Dikshit, Spl.P.P.

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY
ORAL ORDER

2 30-04-2026 Heard the parties.

2. The present petition has been preferred for the following relief(s):

“(i) For issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus for quashing the arbitrary and illegal action of the respondent authorities in



blocking/closing the petitioner's I.D. and password appertaining to their sand Storage Licenses without any notice or opportunity of hearing.

(ii) For quashing the letter no. 5645 dated 07.10.2025, so far as it relates to the petitioners, by which a direction has been issued to take punitive action against all K-license holders for alleged ground of unauthorized sale beyond the permissible limit is false, baseless, and without evidentiary support, especially when no stock of sand existed at the petitioner's site at the relevant time.

(iii) For issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, commanding and directing the respondent authorities to immediately restore the petitioner's I.D and password and allow them to carry on lawful business under their valid licenses.

(iv) For holding that the alleged ground of unauthorized sale beyond the permissible limit is not all applicable in the case of petitioners.

(v) For issuance of such other order or direction as the petitioner may be found entitled to



in the facts and circumstances of the instant case.”

3. At the outset, learned Spl.P.P., Mines Department submits that the petitioners should appear before the Mineral Development Officer, District Mining Office, Patna (respondent no. 5) alongwith his reply/show-cause, if the notice has been received by him so that the matter is taken to its logical conclusion.

4. In that background, with the consent of the parties, the writ petition stands disposed of with a direction to the petitioner to appear before the Mineral Development Officer, District Mining Office, Patna (respondent no. 5) alongwith his reply/show-cause and the concerned respondent is duty bound to take the matter to its logical conclusion at an earliest.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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