

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.4616 of 2026

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Ram Narayan Prasad Son of Jai Lal Mahto, Resident of Village-Kanhauli,
P.O. Kanhauli, P.S. Kanhauli, District-Sitamarhi.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State of Bihar Through the Principal Secretary Department of Mines,
Bihar, Patna.
2. The Deputy Director, Minning Department, Tirhut pramandal, Muzaffarpur,
Bihar.
3. The District Magistrate cum Collector, Sitamarhi.
4. District Mining Officer, Sitamarhi.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Akanksha Verma
For the Respondent/s : Mr.Additional Advocate General (7)

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV ROY
ORAL ORDER

2 14-05-2026 Heard the parties.

2 This writ petition has been filed seeking the
following reliefs:

*“a For issuance of an appropriate writ,
order or direction in the nature of Mandamus
commanding the respondents to exempt and/or
waive the demand of royalty/tax against the
petitioner for the Financial Year 2022-23, in view
of the admitted non-operation of the brick kiln
during the said period and absence of any taxable
activity.*

*b For issuance of an appropriate writ,
order or direction in the nature of Mandamus
commanding the respondents to forthwith stay and
keep in abeyance the certificate proceeding
initiated against the petitioner, during the pendency
of the present writ petition, as the same has been
initiated illegally and without lawful basis.*



c For issuance of any other relief or reliefs which deems fit and proper under the facts and circumstances of the present case.”

3 Learned counsel representing the Mines Department has taken this Court to the order dated 03.10.2025 passed by the Bihar Public Grievance Redressal Officer -cum- First Appellate Authority, Tirhut Division in which it has been recorded that certificate proceeding has already been preferred where the petitioner can lay his claim regarding closure of the brick unit at the relevant time.

4 Allowing the petitioner to appear before the concerned authority, the writ petition is disposed of.

(Rajiv Roy, J)

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