IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P. (C) No. 1346 of 2008

1. Awadh Bihari Vishwakarma, son of Jadunandan Vishwakarma, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
2. Sheo Narayan Vishwakarma, son of Jadunandan Vishwakarma, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
3. Shambhu Vishwakarma, son of Jadunandan Vishwakarma, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
4. Kailash Vishwakarma, son of Jadunandan Vishwakarma, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
5. Umesh Yadav, son of Shree Ramchandra Yadav, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
6. Sunita Devi, wife of Shree Kanhai Kumar, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
7. Shanti Devi, wife of Shree Sagu Prajapati, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
8. Dukhati Devi, wife of Shree Kapil Ram, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
9. Shushila Devi, wife of Shree Ram Raj Singh, resident of Village Mangaldih, P.O. Pasahi, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
10. Vishwanath Choudhary, husband of late Asha Devi, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
11. Chandra Mukhi Devi, wife of Late Rambharosha Pandey, resident of Devrikala, P.O. Japla Cement Factory, P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau **... Petitioners**

-Versus-

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. Deputy Commissioner, Palamau, having his office at Medaninagar (earlier known as Daltonganj), P.O. & P.S. Medaninagar, District- Palamau
3. Additional Collector, Palamau, having his office at Medaninagar (earlier known as Daltonganj), P.O. & P.S. Medaninagar, District- Palamau
4. Deputy Collector, Land Reforms, Hussainabad, P.O. & P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
5. Circle Officer, Hussainabad, P.O. & P.S. Hussainabad, District- Palamau
6. District Land Acquisition Officer, Palamau, having his office at Medaninagar (earlier known as Daltonganj), P.O. & P.S. Medaninagar, District- Palamau **... Respondents**

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR DWIVEDI

For the Petitioners : Mr. Deepak Sinha, Advocate
For the State : Mr. Ajit Kumar, Advocate

14/08.09.2026 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and learned counsel appearing for the State.

2. This writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for quashing the entire proceeding in Land Acquisition Case No.8/2006-07 pending before the Additional Collector, Palamau regarding acquisition of land at Village- Deori Kallan, P.S. Hussainabad for construction of a Sub-Divisional Jail in Khata No.68, Plot No.399, Khata No.72, Plot No.397 and Khata No.79, Plot Nos.394, 396, 398, 400, 401, 415, 416 and 417. The prayer is also made for quashing the order dated 04.12.2007 passed by Additional Collector, Palmau in Land Acquisition Case No.8/2006-07, whereby, the Additional Collector has been pleased to reject the objection petitions filed by the petitioners along with other persons.

3. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that this petition is of the year 2008. He further submits that he has not been instructed by the petitioners and he has tried to contact the petitioners, but he has not been able to contact them and in view of that, he submits that this writ petition may be disposed of with liberty to the petitioners if the cause of action still survives, they will file fresh petition.

4. Learned counsel appearing for the State has got no objection.

5. Accordingly, this writ petition is disposed of with the aforesaid liberty.

6. Pending I.A., if any, is disposed of.

(Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, J.)

Dated: 8th September, 2026
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