2026:JHHC:12546

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

WP(C) No.3131 of 2026

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1. Lalan Oranw @ Lalan Oraon, Aged about 47 years, Son of Late Sita Oranw, Permanent Resident of Village-Masihani, P.O & P.S- Chhatarpur, District- Palamau, at present Resident of Village Kamat, P.O. Barahi, P.S. Husainabad, Baniadihm, District - Palamu, Jharkhand
2. Lalmohan Oraon, Aged about 42 years, Son of Late Sita Oraon, Permanent Resident of Village Masihani, P.O & P.S- Chhatarpur, District- Palamau, at present Resident of Village Kamat, P.O. Barahi, P.S. Husainabad, Baniadihm, District - Palamu, Jharkhand **… Petitioner(s).**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. The Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand, having its office at 1st Floor, Project Bhawan, H.E.C. Building, P.O. + P.S. Dhurwa, District - Ranchi, Jharkhand
3. The Principal Secretary, Revenue and Land Reforms, Government of Jharkhand having its office at Project Dhurwa, Bhawan, H.E.C. Building, P.O. + P.S. District - Ranchi, Jharkhand
4. The Deputy Commissioner, Palamau, Medininagar, having its office at Palamu, P.O. + P.S. Daltonganj, District - Palamu, Jharkhand
5. The Land Acquisition Officer, Palamau, Medininagar, having its office at Medininagar, P.O. + P.S. Daltonganj, District - Palamu, Jharkhand
6. The S.D.O., Chhatarpur, having its office at Chhatarpur, P.O. Chhatarpur, P.S. Chhatarpur, District - Palamu, Jharkhand
7. The Project Director, National Highway Authority of India, having its regional office at Ranchi Road, Redma, P.O. P.S. Daltonganj (Medininagar), District Palamu, Jharkhand
8. The Circle Officer, Chhatarpur, having its office at Chhatarpur, P.O. + P.S. Chhatarpur, District Palamu, Jharkhand
9. Raju Oraon Son of Late Narayan Oraon,
10. Suresh Oraon, Son of Late Rampati Oraon
11. Mithilesh Oraon Son of Late Rampati Oraon,

Respondent No. 9 to 11 are resident of Village - Dantu, Near Hanuman Mandir, P.O. Dantu, P.S. Kasmar, District - Bokaro (Jharkhand) **… Respondent(s).**

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Manoj Kr. Choubey, Advocate
For the NHAI : Ms. Sweety Topno, Advocate
Mr. Amrit Raj Kisku, Advocate

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02 /29.04.2026: It is the grievance of the petitioners that the respondent nos. 9 to 11 had taken compensation under the National Highway Act fraudulently based on the manufactured documents

2. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners have already approached the respondent no. 5-the Land Acquisition Officer, Palamau, Medininagar but no action has yet been taken.

3. Learned counsel for the State submits that if the matter is still pending and needs to be referred before the appropriate Civil Court, the same will be done at the earliest.

4. Considering the said submission, I direct the petitioners to approach the respondent no. 5-the Land Acquisition Officer, Palamau, Medininagar afresh along with the copy of this order, within a period of four weeks.

5. Once the fresh representation is filed along with the copy of this order, the respondent no. 5 will take appropriate steps as per the National Highway Act and if necessary may refer the matter to the appropriate Civil Court under the Act, within a period of ten weeks thereafter.

6. Accordingly, this writ petition is **disposed of.**

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

29.04.2026
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