IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P. (C) No. 2352 of 2025

Shreesh Chandra Roy, S/o Late Raj Neti Roy, R/o Prabha Enclave, Airport Road, P.O.-Hinoo, P.S.-Airport, District-Ranchi ..... Petitioner

-Versus-

1. The State of Jharkhand, through Secretary, Department of Revenue and Land Reforms, Ranchi
2. The Secretary, Rural Works Department, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
3. Deputy Commissioner, Ranchi
4. The Engineer-in-Chief, Road Construction Department, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
5. District Land Acquisition Officer, Ranchi
6. Circle Officer, Namkum, Ranchi

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner : Mr. Prakhar Harit, Advocate
For Respondents : Mr. Suraj Prakash, AC to SC-VII

Order No.07 **Date: 03.11.2026**

1. The present writ petition has been filed for issuance of direction upon the respondent No. 2 to consider the petitioner's representation dated 16.08.2024 (Annexure-8 series to the writ petition) and to disburse appropriate compensation amount in terms of the provisions of Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 for using the petitioner's land appertaining to Khata No. 4, Plot Nos. 167 & 168, Thana No. 273, Village-Torar, P.S.-Hatia, District-Ranchi for construction of *pucca* road.
2. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
3. Though a counter affidavit has been filed on behalf of the respondents sworn by Executive Engineer, Rural Works Department, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi contesting

the petitioner's claim for compensation on merit, however, this Court is of the view that the petitioner's said claim should be considered by the competent authority at the first instance.

4. Hence, the petitioner is given liberty to make a fresh representation before the respondent No. 2-Secretary, Rural Works Department, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi on the present issue. On receipt of the said representation, the respondent No. 2 after verifying the relevant documents and on providing an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner/his representative, shall take an appropriate informed decision within three months from the date of filing of the said representation.
5. It is made clear that the respondent No. 2 shall not be influenced by the stand taken in the counter affidavit filed on behalf of the respondents and shall take independent decision on the merits of the case.
6. The writ petition is, accordingly, disposed of with aforesaid liberty and direction.
7. Pending interlocutory application, if any, also stands disposed of.

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

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