IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P. (C) No. 7551 of 2026

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1. Munna Yadav @ Munna Gope
2. Ganesh Yadav
3. Kailash Yadav
   All sons of Tipu Yadav, R/o Village-Navadih, P.O.-Jogiara, P.S.-Pratappur, District-Chatra

..... Petitioners

-Versus-

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. The Secretary, Department of Revenue, Registration & Land Reforms, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
3. The Deputy Commissioner, Chatra
4. Circle Officer, Pratappur, Chatra
5. Circle Inspector, Pratappur, Chatra

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioners : Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh, Advocate
For Respondents : Mr. Varun Prabhakar, A.C. to G.P.-III

Order No.02 **Date: 24.09.2026**

1. The present writ petition has been filed for issuance of direction upon the respondent authorities not to disturb the petitioners' possession over the land appertaining to Khata Nos. 1/3, 1/2, 3, Plot Nos. 60, 72, 71 measuring an area of 1.73 acres, 0.11 acre and 0.66 acre respectively (total area 2.50 acres) situated at Village-Kathaun, Thana No. 213, Panchayat-Sijuwa, Circle-Pratappur, District-Chatra.
2. According to the petitioners, 10 decimals of the said land is being forcibly occupied by the respondent No. 4 for construction of a PACCS godown.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the aforesaid land was purchased by the petitioners vide registered sale deed dated 22.02.1995. Subsequently, the

said land was mutated in their name and they have been paying the rent of the same. The grievance of the petitioners is that the part of the said land to the extent of 10 decimals is being unlawfully occupied at the instance of the respondent No. 4 for construction of a PACCS godown.

4. Aggrieved by the said action of the respondent No. 4, the petitioners represented the respondent No. 3 and the respondent No. 4 vide letters dated 13.02.2026 and 24.04.2026 respectively. However, the same were not responded, which compelled the petitioners to prefer the present writ petition.

5. Mr. Varun Prabhakar, learned A.C. to G.P.-III, appearing on behalf of the respondents submits that the aforesaid factual claim of the petitioners is required to be examined by the competent authority i.e., the respondent No. 3. Hence, if the petitioners prefer fresh representation(s) on the present issue before the respondent No. 3 along with the relevant documents, appropriate decision/step will be taken by the said respondent.

6. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and considering the nature of the prayer made in the writ petition, without entering into merit of the case, the petitioners are given liberty to prefer fresh representation(s) along with relevant documents in support of their claim before the respondent no.3-Deputy Commissioner, Chatra. On receipt of the said

representation(s), the respondent no.3 after calling for a report from the respondent No. 4 and on providing due opportunity of hearing to the petitioners/their representatives, shall take appropriate decision/step in accordance with law within eight weeks from the date of filing of the representation(s).

7. The writ petition is, accordingly, disposed of with the aforesaid liberty and direction.

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

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