IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(C) No. 8085 of 2026

Ashok Kumar, S/o Late Rijhu Sahu, R/o 166 Jamtara, Opposite Forest Office, Jamtara, PO-Jamtara, PS-Dumri, District-Giridih

... … Petitioner

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand
2. The Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Revenue, Registration and Land Reforms, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
3. The Principal Secretary, Department of Home, Jail & Disaster Management, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
4. The Deputy Commissioner, Giridih
5. The Superintendent of Police, Giridih
6. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Giridih
7. Sri Sashi Bhusan Verma, the Circle Officer, Dumri
8. The Officer In-charge, Dumri Police Station, Dumri, District-Giridih
9. Brahmdeo Sao, S/o Late Jagdish Sao, R/o Village-Jamtara, PO-Jamtara, PS-Dumri, Dsitrict-Giridih
10. Birendra Bhagat, S/o Late Bharat Bhagat, R/o Village-Jamtara, PO-Jamtara, PS-Dumri, Dsitrict-Giridih
11. Arjun Thakur, S/o Ram Lal Thakur, R/o Village-Dudhpania, PO & PS-Dumri, District-Giridih
12. Sanjay Bind, S/o Bhunu Bind, R/o Village-Jamtara (Karihari), PO-Jamtara, PS-Dumri, District-Giridih
13. Manoj Chaurasia, S/o Late Rameshwar Chaurasia, R/o Village-Dumri, PO & PS-Dumri, District-Giridih

... … Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH SHANKAR

For the Petitioner : Mr. Gaurav Priyadarshi, Advocate
For the Respondent-State : Mr. Shubham Gautam, AC to Sr. AAG

Order No. 02 **Dated: 27.10.2026**

1. The grievance of the petitioner as raised in the present writ petition is that the respondent nos. 9 to 13 have encroached upon *gair majarua*/public land i.e., Plot No. 2390 of Mouza-Jamtara, Thana-Dumri and that on the direction of the respondent no. 4 – the Deputy Commissioner, Giridih, when the respondent no. 7 – the Cricle Officer, Dumri took steps for removal the said encroachment made by the respondent nos. 9 to 13, the said respondents occupied the petitioner's land

situated at Plot No. 2391 under Khata No. 131 of Mouza-Jamtara, Thana-Dumri which is behind Plot No. 2390. However, the respondent no. 7 is not taking required steps to restrain the respondent nos. 9 to 13 from occupying the petitioner's land.

2. Having heard learned counsel for the parties and considering the nature of prayer made in the writ petition, this Court is of the view that at the first instance, the said aspect should be looked into by the respondent no. 4.

3. Accordingly, the respondent no. 4 is directed to take up the present matter, and after getting an appropriate enquiry made in this regard, issue further direction to the concerned authorities including the respondent no. 7 to take lawful steps for removal of encroachment from Plot No. 2390, also ensuring that the petitioner's lawful possession over Plot No. 2391 should not be disturbed. The said exercise shall be completed by the respondent no. 4 within four weeks from the date of this order.

4. The writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

(Rajesh Shankar, J.)

October 27, 2026
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