IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(C) No.7045 of 2026

Umeshanand Sharma, son of Late Chhotu Lal Sharma, resident of Village Paranchidih, P.O. Korhobindo, P.S. Jamua, District Giridih, Jharkhand. **... ... Petitioner**

Versus

1. The State of Jharkhand, through the Deputy Commissioner, Giridih, P.O. & P.S. Giridih, District Giridih.
2. The Land Reforms Deputy Collector (LRDC), Giridih, P.O. & P.S. Giridih, District Giridih.
3. The Circle Officer, Bengabad, P.O. & P.S. Bengabad, District Giridih.
4. The Divisional Forest Officer (East Forest Division), Giridih, P.O. & P.S. Giridih, District Giridih.

... ... Respondents

CORAM : SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner : Mr. Rahul Kumar, Advocate
For the Respondents : Mr. Aman Kumar, AC to SC-VI

02/ 08.09.2026

By filing this writ petition, the petitioner has prayed for the following reliefs:-

> *"i. For issuance of appropriate writ/direction/order be passed commanding upon the respondents to issue regular/update rent receipt to the Petitioner over the piece of land admeasuring 8 acres appertaining to Mouza-Gadi, Thana no.50, Khata no.23, Plot no.551, which is under occupation and possession of the petitioner since long and rent receipts till 2006-07 has also been issued by the respondent authorities.*
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> *ii. An appropriate writ/direction/order be passed commanding upon the Respondent no.5 to not to encroach and disturb the peaceful possession and enjoyment of the petitioner over the land in question."*

2. Heard learned counsel representing the petitioner and learned counsel representing the respondents.

3. It is the grievance of the petitioner that in spite of a recommendation of the LRDC, Giridih, vide Letter as contained in Memo No.283 dated 29.05.2025, and also in view of Letter No.390 dated 08.06.2026 issued by the Circle Officer, Bengabad, the respondents are not accepting rent from the petitioner, nor are issuing rent receipts.

4. Learned counsel representing the respondent – State, submits that the petitioner should approach the Circle Officer, by filing a representation along with all the documents, and if it is found that the rent of the land appertaining to Mouza Gadi, Thana No.50, Khata No.23, Plot No.551, area 8 acres, needs to be accepted from the petitioner, the same will be accepted and rent receipt will be issued. He further submits that if it is found that there are some serious disputes, an appropriate order will be passed, which will also be communicated to the petitioner.

5. Considering the said submission, the petitioner is directed to file a representation along with all the documents, before respondent No.3 – Circle Officer, Bengabad, within four weeks.

5.1. On receipt of such representation, the respondent No.3 will consider the case of the petitioner and pass an appropriate order, within ten weeks thereafter. The respondents will also communicate the order to the petitioner.

6. With the aforesaid directions, this Writ Petition stands **disposed of**.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

08th September, 2026
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