IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(C) No.5168 of 2019

Ramesh Rawani, S/O- Rutu Rawani, Aged about 38 years, R/O- Godher Basti, P.O- Kusunda, P.S- Kenduadih, District- Dhanbad.
…. Petitioner(s)

Versus

1. M/S Bharat Coking Coal Limited, through its chairman-cum Managing Director, Koyla Bhawan, Koyla Nagar, Dhanbad, P.O &P.S- Koyla Nagar, District- Dhanbad, Jharkhand.
2. The Director (Personnel), M/S Bharat Coking Coal, Ltd., Koyla Bhawan, Koyla Nagar, Dhanbad, P.O & P.S- Koyla Nagar, District- Dhanbad, Jharkhand.
3. The General Manager, M/S Bharat Coking Coal, Ltd, Kusunda Aria, P.O- Kusunda, P.S- Kenduadih, District- Dhanbad, Jharkhand.
4. The Project Officer, Gonodih Khas Kusunda, M/S Bharat Coking Coal, Ltd, Kusunda Aria, P.O- Kusunda, P.S- Kenduadih, District- Dhanbad, Jharkhand.
5. The Deputy Commissioner, Dhanbad, having office at Collectoriate Campus Dhanbad, P.O & P.S- Dhanbad, District-Dhanbad, Jharkhand.
6. The District Land Acquisition Officer, Dhanbad, having office at District Collectoriate Campus Dhanbad, P.O & P.S- Dhanbad, District- Dhanbad.
7. The Secretary Land and Revenue Department, Ranchi having office at Project Bhawan Dhurwa, P.O- Durwa, P.S- Jagarnathput, District- Ranchi, Jharkhand. … Respondent(s)

CORAM: SRI ANANDA SEN, J.

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Mahavir Pd. Sinha, Advocate
Mr. Santosh Kr. Jha, Advocate
For the Respondents : Mr. Ankit Kumar, AC to GP-VI
Mr. P. Jhunjhunwala, Advocate
Ms. S. Shrestha, Advocate

12/01.09.2026 Heard learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and learned counsel appearing for the Respondents.

2. In this writ petition, the petitioner has prayed for issuance of writ/writs, order/ orders, direction/ directions in the nature of Mandamus directing the concern respondent to make final payment of the compensation of land, having area of 11 acres and 63 decimal belonging to the petitioner and family members acquired, under Land Acquisition Case No. 12/05-06 in Gonodih Mouza, Khata No.2

acquired for Coal Mining by M/S B.C.C.L, Kusunda Area Gonodih Khas Kusunda Colliery project, with suitable compensation for the delayed payment and to provide employment under the respondent to the dependent of the petitioner as per the rehabilitation R & R Policy package for the land losers including the petitioner who has till date only received advanced amount of compensation.

2. It is the grievance of the petitioner that the land of the petitioner was acquired, but entire compensation has not been paid nor employment has been offered to the land looser.

3. The Counsel for the State submits that initially the acquisition process has started but the same got lapsed, but in the meantime, the BCCL has utilized the same land by undertaking mining activity.

4. The Counsel appearing on behalf of the BCCL by referring to the counter affidavit submits that 80% of the compensation amount was already deposited with the State, which has already been disbursed to the petitioner. Prayer of the petitioner, where the petitioner has prayed for disbursement of the final payment, which according to the BCCL is suggestive of the fact that part payment has already been paid. She also submits that in Para-10 of the writ petition, petitioner has admitted that part payment as advance amount has already been made.

5. Counsel appearing for the BCCL further submits that the Respondent BCCL is further ready to deposit the rest 20% balance amount as and when demanded by the Authorities for disbursement to the land loosers and they are aggregable to provide benefits under

the rehabilitation and resettlement policy of the Company.

6. Considering the said submission, I direct the petitioner to approach the District Land Acquisition Officer, Dhanbad, who will ensure that the petitioner gets the balance amount of compensation for utilization of the land by the BCCL and also will ensure that all the benefits under the R&R Policy of the BCCL be extended to the petitioner. The District Land Acquisition Officer will ensure that all the benefits, for which, the petitioner is entitled to including the compensation be disbursed within a period of 12 months from the date of receipt of the copy of the order. The District Land Acquisition Officer will Act as mediator between the BCCL and the land looser.

7. With the aforesaid observation, this Writ Petition is disposed of.

(ANANDA SEN, J.)

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