IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI

W.P.(Cr) No. 937 of 2023

Manisha Shrivastava, aged about 49 years, W/o-Late Alok Shrivatava, R/o Otr. No. 7169, Sector-4/F, Bokaro Steel City, P.O. & P.S.-Sector 4, District-Bokaro. **… … Petitioner**

Versus

1. The Union of India through C.B.I.
2. Steel Authority of India Ltd., Bokaro Steel Plant, Bokaro.

… … Respondents

CORAM :HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANUBHA RAWAT CHOUDHARY

For the Petitioner : Mr. Abhijeet Kumar Singh, Advocate
For the Respondent No.1 : Mr. Prashant Pallav, ASGI
: Ms. Shreya Shukla, AC to ASGI
For the Respondent No.2 : Mr. Amitabh Prasad, Advocate

16/**29.10.2026**

1. Heard the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the parties.

2. This writ petition has been filed for the following reliefs:-

"For issuance of an appropriate writ/order in nature of mandamus for release of surety/security amount Rs.15,00,000/- in the favor of the Petitioner (legal heir of the accused namely Late Alok Shrivastava) as the accused has died on 05.09.2022 (Annexure-4), since the court below is already aware of the same in case arising out of R.C. Case No. 14(A)/2012-D pending in the court of learned ADJ-IX, Dhanbad."

3. Pursuant to the order dated 21.08.2026, supplementary affidavit has been filed by the petitioner bringing on record the order dated 19.04.2023 whereby the proceeding against the accused Alok Srivastava has been dropped on account of his death. Alok Srivastava happens to be the husband of the present petitioner. A copy of death certificate of Alok Srivastava has also been placed on record showing the date of death as 05.09.2022.

4. It has been submitted by the learned counsel for the CBI that as per Annexure-02, at the time of granting bail to Alok Srivastava in B.A. No. 11757 of 2013, a condition was imposed that an amount of Rs.15,00,000/- was to be deposited in connection with RC

14(A)/2012-D with Bokaro Steel Limited, Bokaro and a receipt of the same shall be furnished at the time of furnishing the bail bond. Learned counsel has submitted that since Alok Srivastava has expired, the condition of bail does not surviving any more.

5. Learned counsel for Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has referred to the order passed in W.P.(Cr.) No. 938 of 2023 dated 21.08.2026 and has submitted the said writ petition was filed seeking refund of Rs.7,20,000/- in connection with R.C. Case No. 07(A)/2011-(D) . He has submitted that under similar circumstances and on account of death of Alok Srivastava, the respondent No.2 (SAIL) was directed to refund the amount of Rs.7,20,000/- to the petitioner Manisha Shrivastava.

6. He has submitted that similar order can be passed in the present case also.

7. Learned counsel for the CBI does not dispute the fact that under similar circumstances order in W.P.(Cr.) 938 of 2023 dated 21.08.2026 has been passed.

8. After hearing the learned counsel for the respondents, it is not in dispute that the amount of Rs.15,00,000/- were deposited with respondent No.2 as a condition of bail to Alok Srivastava in connection with the present case. Now, Alok Srivastava has expired and under such circumstances, the amount deposited as a condition of bail is to be refunded. The situation is fully covered by the order dated 21.08.2026 passed in W.P.(Cr.) No. 938 of 2023.

9. Accordingly, respondent No.2 in the present case is directed to refund Rs.15,00,000/- to the petitioner within two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, after due identification.

10. This writ petition is accordingly **disposed of**.

11. Let a copy of this order be communicated to the concerned court through “Fax/e-mail”.

(Anubha Rawat Choudhary, J.)

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